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HUGE EXPLOSION OCCURS IN JAPANESE LINES

NANKING HAS FALSE AIR RAID ALARM

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese planes were bombing and there was intermittent firing from Japanese warships at the Chinese positions in Pootung as 1,400 British women and children boarded the British destroyers Duncan, Duchess and Delight off the Shanghai Club from tugs which embarked them on the French Bund.

THE EMBARKATION WAS CARRIED OUT WITHOUT A HITCH, BRITISH SAILORS AGAIN GUARDING THE ENTRANCES TO THE PONTOONS.

As the last of the three destroyers, packed with refugees, started down river, Japanese planes over Pootung dropped occasional bombs and Japanese warships lept up into shell fire.

At the same time the Chinese guns in Kiangwan shelled the Japanese positions in northern Shanghai, drawing a reply from the Japanese field pieces.

Those Japanese warships docked on the Shanghai side of the river moved into mid-stream in order to leave a clear channel for the three British destroyers.

The refugees are on their way down river to the Empress of Asia, lying outside Woosung, which will convey them to Hong Kong. — Reuter.

AMMUNITION DUMP EXPLOSION

Shanghai, To-day, 1.30 p.m.

During heavy shelling of the Hongkew district near the Naval Landing Party Headquarters just before noon, a terrific explosion occurred, followed by a heavy pall of smoke which is believed to be the result of a shell striking a small ammunition dump.

—Our Own Correspondent.

NANKING AIR RAID ALARM

Nanking, To-day.

After an entire day of peace, air raid warning sirens again sounded in the capital at midnight when the entire city was immediately plunged into darkness.

Chinese planes went up and circled over the city but the "all clear" was sounded at 1.30 this

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FLOATING HOTELS FOR HARBOUR

Report Stated To Be Premature

A rumour was in circulation this morning suggesting that the harbour would soon become the centre of a series of floating hotels, accommodating refugees from Shanghai.

The vessels of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company were mentioned in connection with the report.

The shipping manager of the Company informed the "China Mail" that he had heard nothing of

PORTUGAL PROVIDES SHOCK

Lisbon, To-day.

Portugal has severed diplomatic relations with Czechoslovakia. — Reuter.

such a proposal.

From other quarters it was learned that no question of overtaxing accommodation on land had yet arisen. If there was any considerable influx of refugees in addition to the 3,000 odd expected from Shanghai, the floating hotel idea might furnish a satisfactory solution, though difficulty might be found in securing suitable ships.

Fifty-five cholera cases, 39 in Victoria, 13 in Kowloon, and three elsewhere, were reported in the 24 hours ended at midnight. The total since mid-day Saturday is now 245.

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FOOT COMFORTS IN SUMMER

It is perfectly impossible to enjoy the long, sunny days of warm weather if one is suffering endless tortures due to various foot troubles. With just a little common-sense, however a good many minor foot troubles — which are none the less painful — could be avoided. Attention given to the feet regularly is amply repaid by the extra comfort derived.

In hot weather stockings should be fresh every day, as perspiration causes the soles of the stockings to become hard when dry, consequently causing a certain amount of friction to the soles of the feet, worn again.

If possible the same pair of shoes should never be worn day after day, or even all day, if this can be avoided, as the mere fact of changing into a fresh cool pair of shoes has a very restful effect upon the feet.

Eau de Cologne Bath

The feet should be bathed regularly, and if necessary dusted with a deodorant powder, talcum powder or boracic powder. A little eau de Cologne rubbed into the soles is very refreshing.

Half an hour's rest with the feet up comfortably helps a great deal on a hot tiring day, as this relieves the pressure on the veins. The average housewife has a good deal of running about and standing to do in the course of the day, and she should not neglect to give herself a short rest like this every day.

Comfortable shoes should be worn, but it is a mistake to wear "soft shoes" continually, even in the house, as these allow the feet to spread too much. Care should be taken to see that stockings are not too short in the feet, as these can cause much discomfort.

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SMARTEN YOUR SUNSHADE

Sunshades wear so badly as a rule, and if yours appears to be rather shabby this season here's an easy way to make it look like new. Put a tablespoonful of sugar in a bowl and cover it with ½ pint of boiling water. Let the sugar dissolve, stir the mixture well, and then apply it to the surface of the parasol with a dry, clean rag, then leave to dry in the open air.

GLEAMING MIRRORS: Try cleaning your mirrors occasionally

by rubbing them with a wad of tissue paper moistened with methylated spirit, and you'll find they won't become fly-stained.

TO CLEAN VELVETEEN

If you want to clean your velveteen coat or frock before putting it away for the summer, you'll find this hint most effective. Make a lather with some good soap. Put the velveteen into this, and move it about well. Then take it out, do not wring it, but put into a bowl of clean water and move about rapidly to remove the soap. Take the garment from the water and leave it to dry, still without wringing. When nearly dry shake well, and you will be delighted with the result.

BOTTLING PICKLES

Before bottling pickles boil the corks, and while still hot push them into the bottle-necks. When they become cold they will tighten up and effectively seal the bottle.

WASHING YOUR JUMPER

The time must come when your favourite jumper, the pride of your needles, must be washed. How can you be sure it will not shrink or stretch?

Take a tape-measure and jot down the length and width at all vital points. Then, having washed the jumper carefully, lay it out on a large Turkish towel.

Now, with the aid of your notes, you can pull and pat the jumper to exactly its original size. When dry, press carefully with a warm iron.

BRIGHTEN THE WALLS

How often we notice the wallpaper round the electric-light switches looking grubby; you can make an amazing transformation in this simple way: First of all brush the wallpaper down with a clean duster, then clean off the finger-marks with a piece of stale bread.



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London Relay OF Lancashire Sketch

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

Fox Trot—

When Is A Kiss Not A Kiss
(Film: Champagne Waltz).
Gone (Film: Love on the Run).
The Night Is Young, And You're
So Beautiful.

Waltz—Seal It With A Kiss
(Film: That Girl From Paris).

Fox Trot—

Crazy With Love (Film: This'll
make you whistle).
Magnolias In The Moonlight
(Film: Follow your Heart).
I Was Saying To The Moon
(Film: Go West, Young Man).

12.50 p.m.—Turner Layton (Tenor).

Lonely Street (Porter).

When Evening Comes (Stanton).

Sailing Home With The Tide
(Watson, Denby & Connelly).

1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Schumann, Sonata in D
minor, Op. 121 (Violin & Piano).

Hephzibah & Yehudi Menuhin.

2nd, 3rd, and 4th Movements.

1.24 p.m.—Schumann's Songs by Ria
Ginstay (Soprano).

Meine Rose.

Schöne Fremde... Piano accompaniment
by Gerald Moore.

1.30 p.m.—Renter Press; Rugby Press;
Local: Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Variety.

Humorous—

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I'm Betin' The Roll On Roamer.
The Return Of Abdul Adulul

Amir Frank Crumit.

Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. 4:

Intro: With Plenty of Money and

You; Let's Put our Heads To-

gether; Moonlight and Shadows;

With Plenty of Money and You;

I Need You; What will I tell my

Heart; The Love Bug will Bite

you. Charlie Kunz (Piano).

Humorous—

Building A Chicken House.

Will Evans.

Comedienne—

I Think Of What You Used To

Think Of Me.

Like The Big Pots Do.

Gracie Fields.

Vocal—

Josephine (Steiner, Burton &

Jason).

Marie Louise (Meisel).

Browning Mummery (Tenor).

Orchestra & Organ—Ray Noble.

Medley:

Intro: Brighter than the sun; If

you'll say 'yes' Cherie; Love is

the sweetest thing; By the Fire-

side; What more can I ask; Why

stars come out at night; The

very thought of you; Goodnight

sweetheart.

Anton and The Paramount

Theatre Orchestra, London.

Reginald Foort (Organ).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.

8-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

5 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra

from the roof-garden of the Hong

Kong Hotel.

5.15 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance

music from ZBW.

5.20 p.m.—

5.35 p.m.—Interval of recorded dance

music from ZBW.

5.45 p.m.—

9. Where is the Sun.

10. Old Plantation.

11. Melody for Two.

12. An Excuse for Dancing.

6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Concert.

6.45 p.m.—Haydn Quartet in G Major,

Op. 64, No. 4. Played by the Pro

Arte Quartet.

7.02 p.m.—Richard Crooks (Tenor).

Open Your Window To The Morn

(Royden—Phillips).

If I Should Send A Rose.

(Shayon—Shillret).

Arise O Sun (Lockton—Day).

7.12 p.m.—Marek Weber & His Orches-

tra.

La Belle Helene—Selection

(Offenbach).

Contrasts—Potpourri Of Famous

Melodies (Robinson).

Her First Dance (Henderson).

The Music Comes (Strauss).

Love's Dream After The Ball

(Ozibulka).

Indra Waltz (From Operette: In The

Realm of Indra) (Lincke).

7.40 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quota-

tions and Hong Kong Exchange Mar-

ket Report.

7.45 p.m.—London Relay—A Day at

Blackpool. A Lancashire sketch in

dramatic form by Tom Simm.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather

Report and Announcements.

8-11 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

11 p.m.—Close down.

8-11 p.m.—European Programme from

ZEK on a frequency of 640 kiloc-

cles.

8.03 p.m.—Chopin Concerto No. 1 in E

Minor, Op. 11. Played by Arthur

Rubinstein (Piano) and The London

Symphony Orchestra.

8.35 p.m.—Songs by Paul Robeson

(Bass).

No! John! No! (Sharp).

Passing By (Herrick-Percell).

Canoe Song (Film: Samson of the

River).

8.45 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.

Cuban Serenade (Midgley).

Mexican Serenade (Kaschke).

Barnabas Von Garry & His Orch.

Waltzes From Vienna.

London Relay

For Thought Talk

Waltz Selection (Strauss).

Intro: Introductions With All My

Heart; Morning; For We Love

You Still; You Are My Songs;

Love Will Find You; To-day;

The Star In The Sky; One Hour;

Entr'acte.

London Relay—The News &

Announcements.

9.50 p.m.—Leslie Hutchinson at the

Piano.

Dreaming A Dream.

(From: Yes, Madam?).

This Is No Sin.

(From: Hi Diddle Diddle).

Lights Out (Billy Hill).

10.03 p.m.—The Ballyhooligans.

Fox Trot—

Nobody's Sweetheart.

Whispering.

Tiger Rag.

Blue Call Rag.

Medley Fox Trot—The Ballyhooli-

gans Make Whoopee.

Intro: Japanese Sandman; Dark-

town Strutters' Ball; Alexander's

Ragtime Band; Goodbye Blues;

Wabash Blues; Shine.

10.21 p.m.—Variety & Dance Music.

Fox Trot—

Easter Morning.

Wanderers—Casani Club Orch.

Humorous—

Joe Murgatroyd's Letter.

John Henry & 'Blossom'.

Slow Fox Trot—

When Budapest Was Young.

Waltz—

Moonlight On The Prairie.

Joe Loss & His Orchestra.

Vocal—Some Of My Songs.

Intro: In a Little Spanish Town;

It Happened In Monterey; Who

Made Little Boy Blue? Little

Man You Had A Busy Day;

Waltz—The Baby.

Slow Fox Trot—Gypsy Violin.

Tango—Carmen.

Mantovani & His Typica Orch.

Vocal—

There's A New World.

(From: Day for Sound).

Sing Me A Swing Song.

Joe Hatch with Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

Inference On A Bid

"Dear Mr. Culbertson:
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North, dealer.

Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH

S—A Q 7 3 2

H—A 9 5

D—4

C—J 10 8 6

WEST

S—J 8

H—Q 7 3 2

D—A Q 8 6 3

C—9 7

EAST

S—10 6

H—K 10 4

D—7

C—A K Q 5 4 3 2

SOUTH

S—K 9 5 4

H—J 8 6

D—K J 10 9 5 2

C—None

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 spade	2 clubs	3 clubs	Pass
3 no trump	Pass	4 diamonds	Pass
Pass	Pass		

"The result, which was a set of two tricks, is unimportant. However, North contends that the spade assistance should have been shown immediately rather than the club void or ace, or, after the three no trump bid, South should realise the weakness of opening bid and bid the fourth spade and quit fooling around, if South wanted a game bid in that suit.

"South stoutly maintains that his overall of an opponent's bid after partner has opened is, in reality, two bids in one, carrying a strong inference of good support in partner's suit as well as informing partner of his holding in opponent's bid suit, and is unconditionally forcing to a game contract. Authority, pp. 204 and 223-229, Culbertson Gold Book. North suggests that game responsibility ceased at his three no trump bid. South maintains otherwise and condemns

North for passing his four diamond bid with a singleton four. South admits pressing somewhat, but also envisioned slim possibilities if the opener had minimum extra values, such as two red queens, which then would need only a successful heart finesse for the king and a trump-break for six odd.

"General comment invited but above all please advise us whether or not the immediate overcall of opponent's bid suit, following partner's opening bid, carries with it the inference of a fit in partner's suit, and ordinarily a safe refuge at game in that suit.

"Yours very truly,

"J. L. L.

"Churubusco, Ind."

In so far as bidding conventions go, South was absolutely right and North correspondingly wrong. South's overcall in the opponent's suit, after North had opened the bidding, would be an asking bid if North-South were using the asking bid system. Since they obviously were not doing so the three club bid by South was a cue bid showing, as South himself maintained, first round control and, at the same time, strongly implying a good fit with the opening bid. Also, and here is the crux, the three club bid demanded that the bidding be kept open until a game was reached.

North's contention that he had followed orders, and had kept the bidding open until game was reached in no trump is a childish quibble with the superobvious intention of the convention. The fact that game had been reached at three no trump is unimportant. The four diamond bid that followed brought the auction back to a less than game level. Logically, it thereupon devolved upon North to keep the bidding open again until game had been finally reached.

As to the merits of South's three club bid that is another question. He did not have the honour trick value for such a strong bid and should have contented himself with a direct raise of spades.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: What is the correct opening bid on the following?

S-9-5-3-H-A-Q-8-4-D-9-1-C-A-K-9-6

Answer: One club.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Loves of a Dictator", with Clive Brook and Madeline Carroll. The story of the rise to a high rank of a conniving young doctor and the mad romance between him and the unhappy wife of the man whose power raised him to the top.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Internes Can't Take Money", a story of a young mother (Barbara Stanwyck) whose child was taken away from her while she served a prison sentence, and who was forced to put up for her child ahead of honour. Joe McCrea has the role of an interne.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"U.S.S.R. To-day". A sensational record of life and condition in the land of the Soviets.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Wings Over Honolulu". Being a naval aviation service story fashioned to please both the women and to appeal to the men, with Ray Milland and Wendy Barrie in the leading roles. Others in the cast include Kent Taylor, William Gargan, Polly Rowles, and Mary Philips.

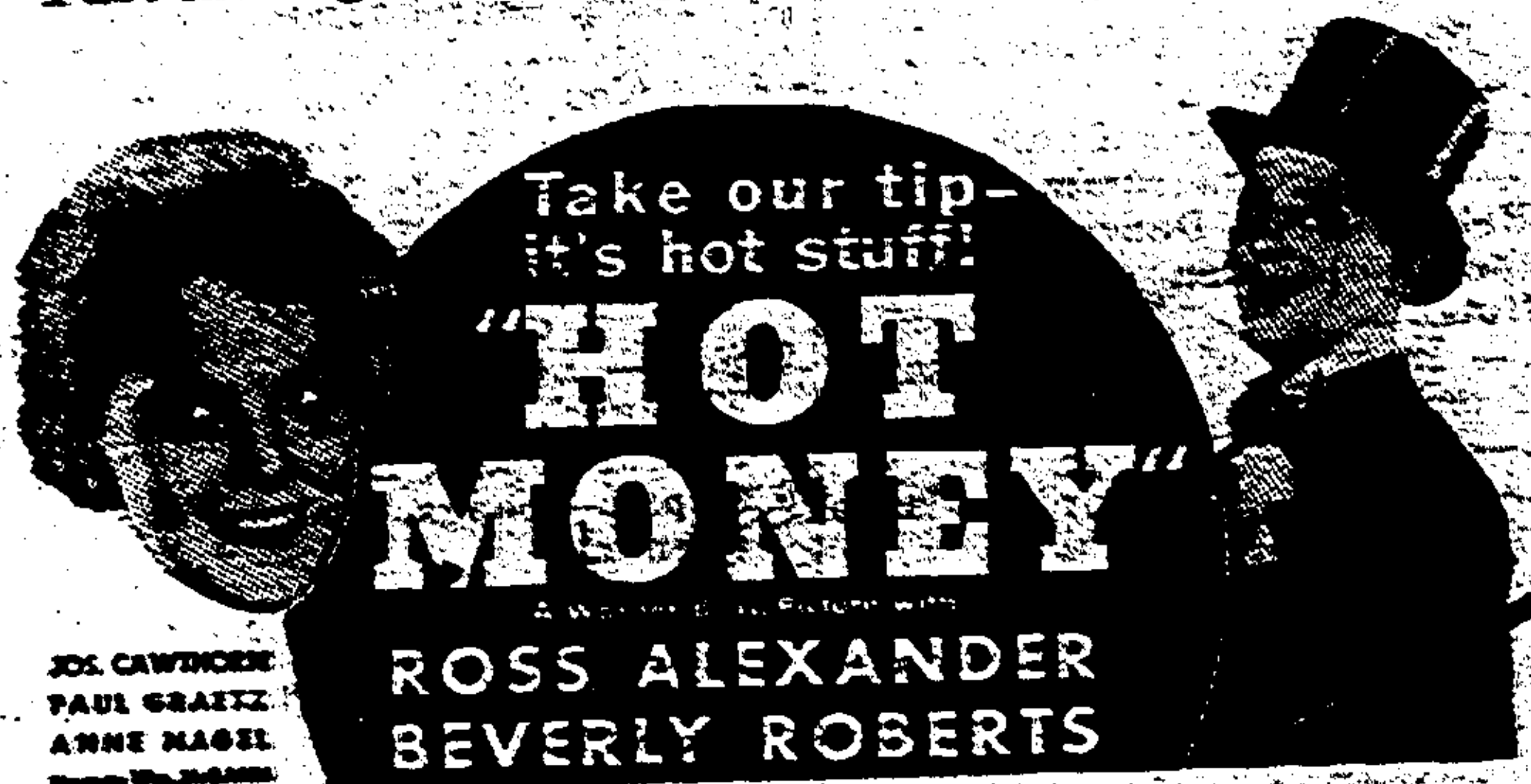
AT THE KING'S—"Hot Money", with Ross Alexander and Beverly Roberts. A comedy romance on the get-rich-quick Wallingford type of story.

AT THE STAR—"Go West Young Man", with Lee West, Warren William, Edmund G. Bruce and Alice Brady. The story of a touring movie star who falls for a shy young country

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JAPANESE OCCUPY BROADWAY MANSIONS

Shanghai, To-day. The fighting in Chapei and Yang-tsepo shows no signs of abating, the Chinese being determined to drive the Japanese back to their ships before their reinforcements arrive, and the Japanese hanging on grimly in the face of vastly superior numbers.

An independent foreign estimate says that the Japanese are at present outnumbered by 10 to one.

MASS AIR RAID

Aeroplanes and guns are playing a prominent part in the operations. A Chinese claim says that a mass air raid by 50 Chinese planes yesterday blew the Japanese headquarters near Hongkew Park to bits, though no confirmation of this can be obtained from other sources.

The Chinese, says another claim, are fighting their way stubbornly forward from the north-eastern

boundary of the Settlement to within a mile of the Whangpoo.

Mr. O. K. Yui, in a statement to the press yesterday, predicted total defeat of the Japanese at Shanghai before the middle of next week.

BROADWAY MANSIONS

Feature of yesterday's operations was the occupation of Broadway Mansions, the luxurious 24-story apartment building by the Garden Bridge, by Japanese troops.

Grounds for the occupation were that it had been used as an observation post by Chinese spies.

The occupation was carried out in spite of a strong protest by the British company owning the building.

Following the scuttling of Japanese steamers by the Chinese yesterday, the Japanese have threatened to seize all Chinese shipping as a retaliatory measure. — Trans-Ocean.

ROOSEVELT DESIROUS OF STRONG LINE

London, To-day.

Co-operation between the United States and other Powers in the Far East is faced with political difficulties, according to the Washington correspondent of the "Morning Post."

The full effect of the despatch of more United States Marines to Shanghai is not yet clear but if it passes without strong opposition, the Administration will feel its hand is strengthened and that it will be able to pursue a vigorous policy in the Far East.

Behind the American decision to increase their forces in Shanghai is the determination not to yield a dollar of investment or a point of privilege under pressure from Japan.

U.S. DETERMINED

It is felt that if the Japanese forces take full possession of Shanghai, any failure of the International forces to preserve order would provide excuse for Japanese intervention in the interests of law and order.

The United States is not going to lose her influence and interests in the Far East by default.

President Roosevelt himself is believed to be particularly concerned, firstly over the safety of Americans, and, secondly, over the opinion which is felt to be increasing abroad that the United States is a decadent Power. — Reuter.

DUKE AND DUCHESS OF WINDSOR GOING TO ROCHEFORT

Paris, To-day.

A message from Rochefort says that the Duke and Duchess of Windsor will shortly leave Angiers for that town.

The Duke and Duchess may pay a visit to Arras, the Mayor of which, Baron Gougand, is married to an American friend of the Duchess. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMANS NOT TO EVACUATE FOR PRESENT

Berlin, To-day.

Informed quarters here state there is no intention at present of evacuating German nationals from Shanghai, but that necessary measures for doing so in case of need have already been taken.

It is stressed here that it is up to individuals whether they want to leave or not, and the North German Lloyd Gneisenau and the Hamburg-America Oldenburg are to be placed at the disposal of those who wish to evacuate.

No German ship is at Shanghai at present. Several are in Hong Kong and the Gneisenau is on her way to Shanghai from Yokohama.

The lively interest in the Far East by German business-circles is evidenced by the fact that representatives of Hamburg firms trading with China are meeting daily at the offices of the East Asiatic Association of Hamburg and Bremen in order to exchange information and discuss the situation. — Trans-Ocean.

SEARCH FOR SOVIET AIRMEN UNABATED

Moscow, To-day.

The search for the missing Soviet airmen, who were on a flight from Moscow to Fairbanks, Alaska and who have been missing for five days, is being conducted with unabated energy.

Messages received in Moscow from the planes which are searching the vast Arctic wastes reveal not the slightest trace of the missing plane.

An ice-breaker is participating in the search and has several planes on board.

Hope for the missing airmen has by no means been abandoned, as they carry sufficient provisions for six weeks. — Trans-Ocean.

WELCH FUSILIERS AID IN FIGHTING OUTBREAK

Shanghai, To-day.

Bombs were dropped from a raiding aeroplane last night in the British defence sector in the vicinity of the North Station.

The Telephone Exchange was hit by an incendiary bomb, which started a fire. A party of Royal Welch Fusiliers, who had only taken over the sector yesterday, helped to fight the blaze.

The Fusiliers had replaced the Russian Volunteers, who had been withdrawn for patrol work within the Settlement owing to the dangerousness of the sector.

FRENCH CONCESSION PANIC

Considerable anger has been caused by the action of one of the two Japanese aeroplanes which carried out a night raid last night in going into a power dive and zooming just above the roof-tops of the French Concession.

People dashed helter-skelter for shelter and something in the nature of a panic broke out.

The plane had previously flown over Nantao (the Chinese city adjoining the French Concession). Apparently no bombs were dropped though the inhabitants were terrified when the planes swooped down over the roofs.

NOT FIRED ON BY WARSHIPS

Meanwhile, confusion regarding the identity of the other plane which set the telephone building afire after dropping bombs on Chapei and Kiangwan, has been caused by a Japanese denial that the plane was Japanese.

Those watching the affair on roof-tops in the Settlement, however, insist it must have been a Japanese machine, for although it circled low over the Japanese warships in the Whangpoo, it attracted no fire from anti-aircraft guns.

Neither side would care to own the plane because the scene of the bombing was within the British defence sector.—Reuter.

JAPANESE LAND REINFORCEMENTS

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese reinforcements were landed along the Yangtzepoo late yesterday afternoon. The numerical strength of the new forces is unknown.

They are now billeted in the factory premises of the Hwa Cheng Tobacco Company, the World Book Company and the Shanghai Tramway car barns.—Central News.

FIERCE STREET FIGHTING

Shanghai, To-day.

Fierce street fighting is going on along Ward Road and Dalny Road in the Yangtzepoo area where the Chinese forces launched an offensive from the Wayside District.

The main body of the Chinese forces is now in occupation of the 5th and 6th mills of the Sung Sing Cotton mills while the Japanese have established temporary headquarters in the car barns of the Shanghai Tramway Company.

One Chinese detachment has reached Liaoyang Road near a Japanese munitions dump.—Central News.

HOSPITAL AT CHENJU BOMBED

Shanghai, To-day.

Military quarters revealed this morning that three Japanese planes bombed the military base hospital of Tung Nan Medical College near Chenju yesterday.

The director of the base hospital whose name has not been revealed, was seriously wounded, and three inmates of the hospital were injured.—Central News.

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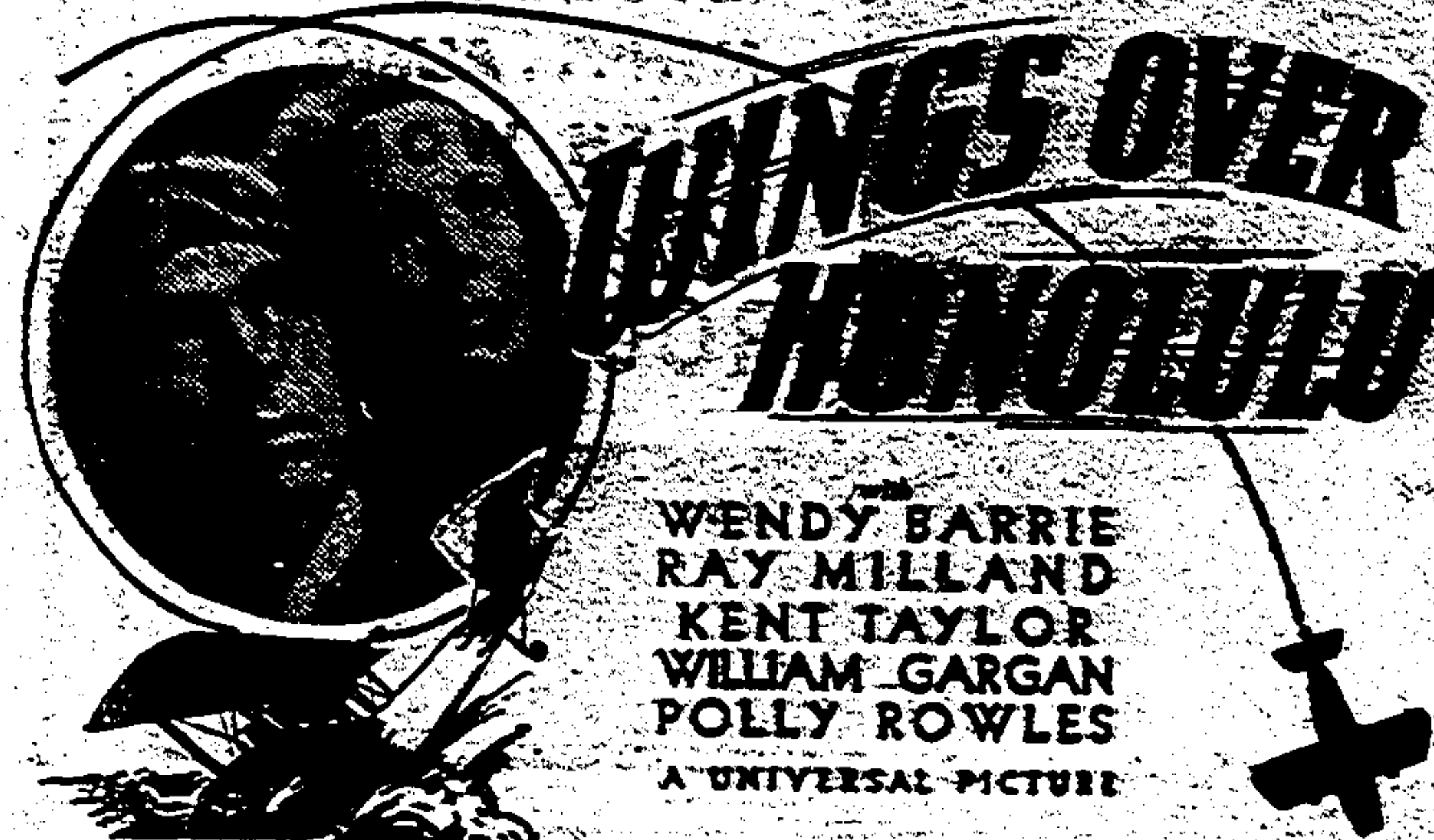
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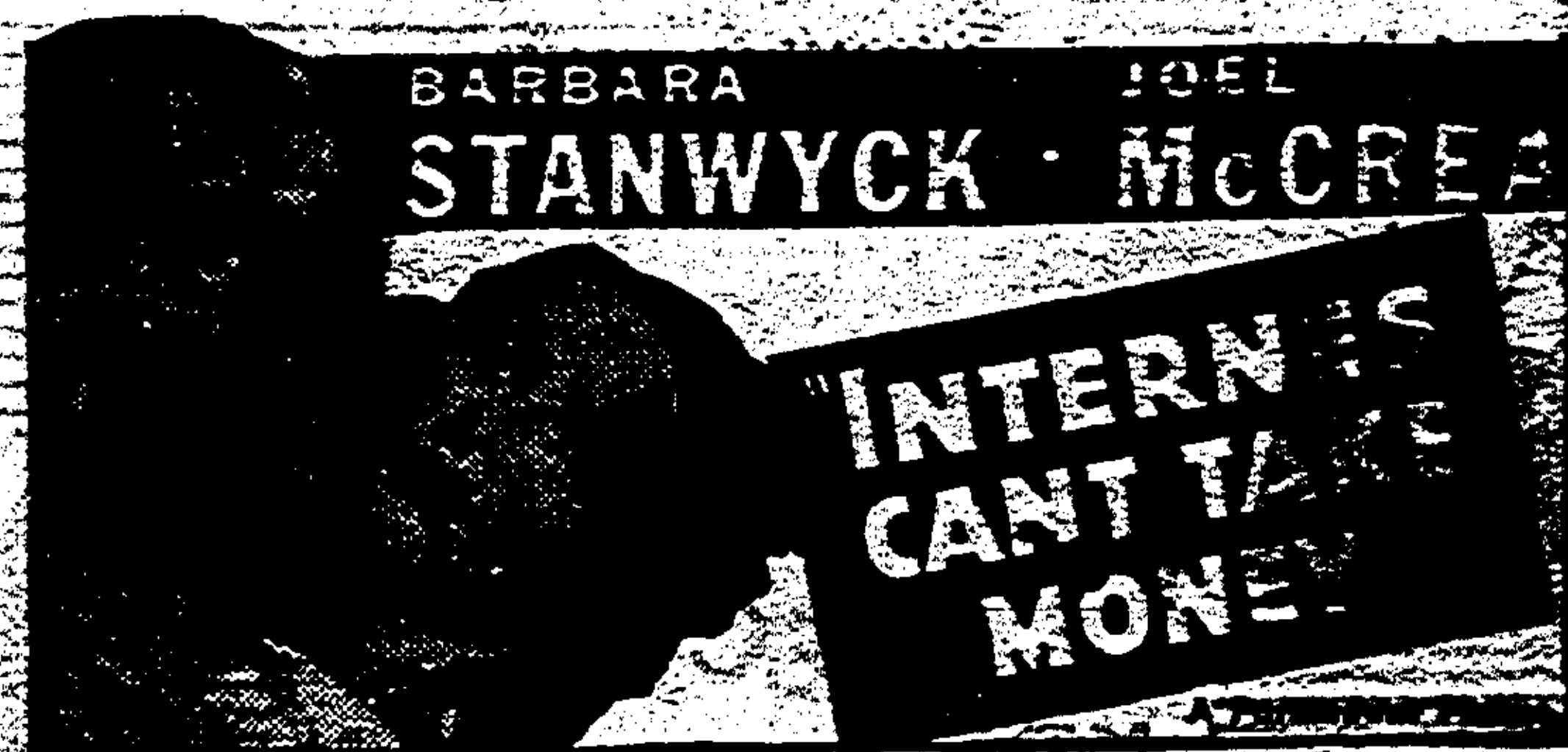
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MAIL SERVICE OVER ATLANTIC VERY SOON

London, To-day.

Imperial Airways flying-boat *Caledonia* arrived at Port Washington, New York State, from Botwood, Newfoundland, yesterday morning, after having made a brief call at Montreal. Imperial Airways state that during the recent survey flights over the Atlantic much technical data has been obtained.

Second phase will be inauguration of a mail service as soon as possible, after which two regular weekly passenger services will be put into force.

Pan-American Airways Clipper III arrived in the Azores yesterday from New York in the first test flight over the southern route. — Reuter.

RAID OVER NORTH-WEST FRONTIER

New Delhi, To-day.

It is reported that a gang of hostile tribesmen have crossed the North-West Frontier and have kidnapped five Persians after a raid on a border village. — Reuter.

IRAQ MILITARY SEIZE CONTROL OF MOSSUL

London, To-day.

Belated messages from Baghdad reveal that the recent assassination of the Chief of General Staff, was followed by taking over of control of the Mossul district by the army.

This action followed a request from Baghdad to the commander of the Mossul district to hand over several of his officers believed to have been concerned in the assassination.

The commander refused to comply and took over all Government offices in the area.

The Civil Government eventually climbed down and the Army handed over control to the Government.

No disorders occurred during the brief military regime. — Trans-Ocean.

RECRUITING SERGEANTS SMILE AGAIN

London, To-day.

Recruiting for the Army in England has been progressing more rapidly since the announcement by the War Secretary, Mr. L. Hore-Belisha, on the change in conditions of service.

Present recruiting figures are forty a day, compared with only ten previously.

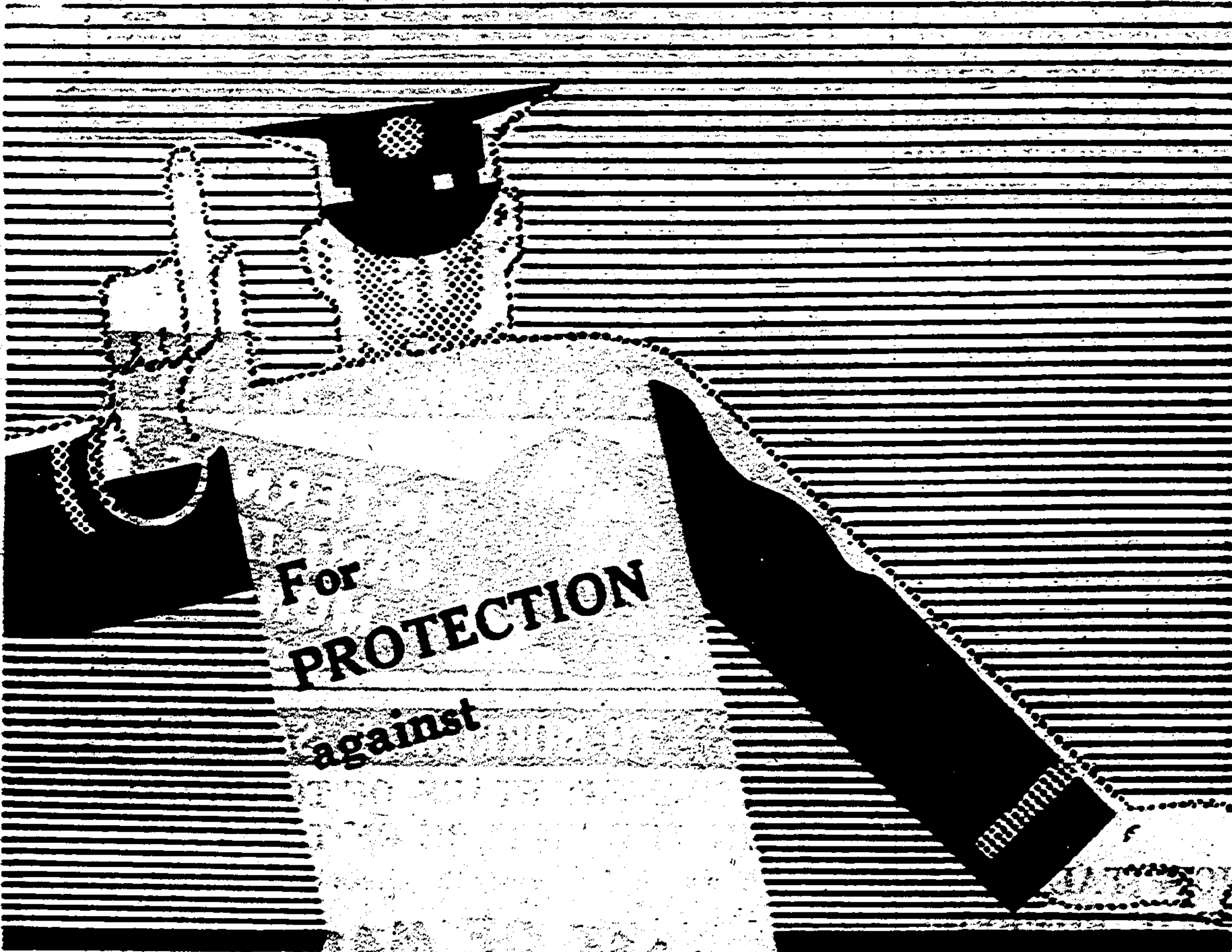
Of those joining the colours only ten per cent are unemployed.

Many at present in the Army have accepted the War Office's scheme to rejoin the colours after their first period of enlistment. — Reuter.

Over 1,500 reservists have already notified Army record offices of their desire to rejoin the Colours in accordance with the terms of the Government's offer recently announced by the War Secretary, Mr. Hore-Belisha. The volume of response at this early date is in excess of the War Office's anticipation.

Following the season of military camps in which many Territorials have participated this summer, ordinary recruiting for the Regular Army is reported to be booming.

In London during the last ten days, the staff at the Central Recruiting Depot has been working at high pressure. All but ten per cent of youths who have enlisted in the period were already in regular employment. — British Wireless.



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MASS AIR RAID BY CHINESE

Veritable Hell In North Szechuen Road Area

REAR-ADMIRAL SAID TO HAVE DIED OF WOUNDS

Shanghai, 10.30 a.m.

Vivid details are now forthcoming concerning the most spectacular air attack of the present campaign late yesterday afternoon, which resulted in grave casualties among the Japanese marines, partial destruction of the Japanese Naval Landing Party's headquarters in North Szechuen Road, and enormous damage to surrounding property.

For twenty minutes, a veritable hell reigned in the area as Chinese planes in ten flights of five machines each, swept over the region in successive waves rending the Naval Headquarters with bombs.

More than a hundred heavy bombs wrecked buildings and blew huge craters, and Chinese report claims that among the many Japanese casualties was Rear Admiral Motota, who was directing the defence of this sector against violent Chinese attacks.

He is reported to have been critically injured by a bomb splinter and to have succumbed later in hospital.

The unprecedentedly heavy raid on the Headquarters was stated in Chinese military circles to have been ordered to break the stubborn resistance which the Japanese forces were putting up at this point.

Heavy shellfire in the same area this morning is believed to indicate renewed Chinese attacks.—Our Own Correspondent.

ARTILLERY KEEPS SHAI AWAKE

Huge Fire Raging In Cotton Mills

Shanghai, To-day.

The lull which followed the aerial visitation of last night was broken by a half-hour exchange of serious gunfire, in which Japanese warships and land-guns fought a duel with the Chinese artillery in Pootung.

The first Japanese warcraft to fire were two torpedo-boats and then the Idzumo and other warships, stretching all the way down river to Woosung, joined in.

A shell landed in the cotton mills in Pootung, which are now seriously ablaze. It is not known whether the fire was caused by a Chinese or Japanese projectile. The bombardment woke up everyone in Shanghai.

JAPANESE UNDER HEAVY STRAIN

Shanghai, To-day.

The region of severest fighting between the Chinese and Japanese forces in Shanghai has been shifted to Hua Teh Road, which is within the Settlement area north of the Ssochow Creek. The Japanese defence line is giving way under severe pressure.

A Chinese official communique claims the capture of the Shun-Hsin Cotton Mill at Hua Teh Road. The Japanese defending the Japanese Naval Landing Party Headquarters at the end of the North Szechuen Road have not surrendered but their position is being isolated.—Hua Nan.

JAPANESE NOW LEAVE TSINGTAO

Tsingtao, To-day.

It is officially announced that all N.Y.K. vessels in Tsingtao will be used for evacuation of Japanese women and children from the Shantung port.

Completion of the evacuation is expected to-morrow, when three Japanese vessels are leaving.

Meanwhile, Japanese refugees from the Yangtse ports are leaving to-day, to-morrow and Sunday. They consist of 145 men, women and children, whose passages will be free of charge.—Reuter.

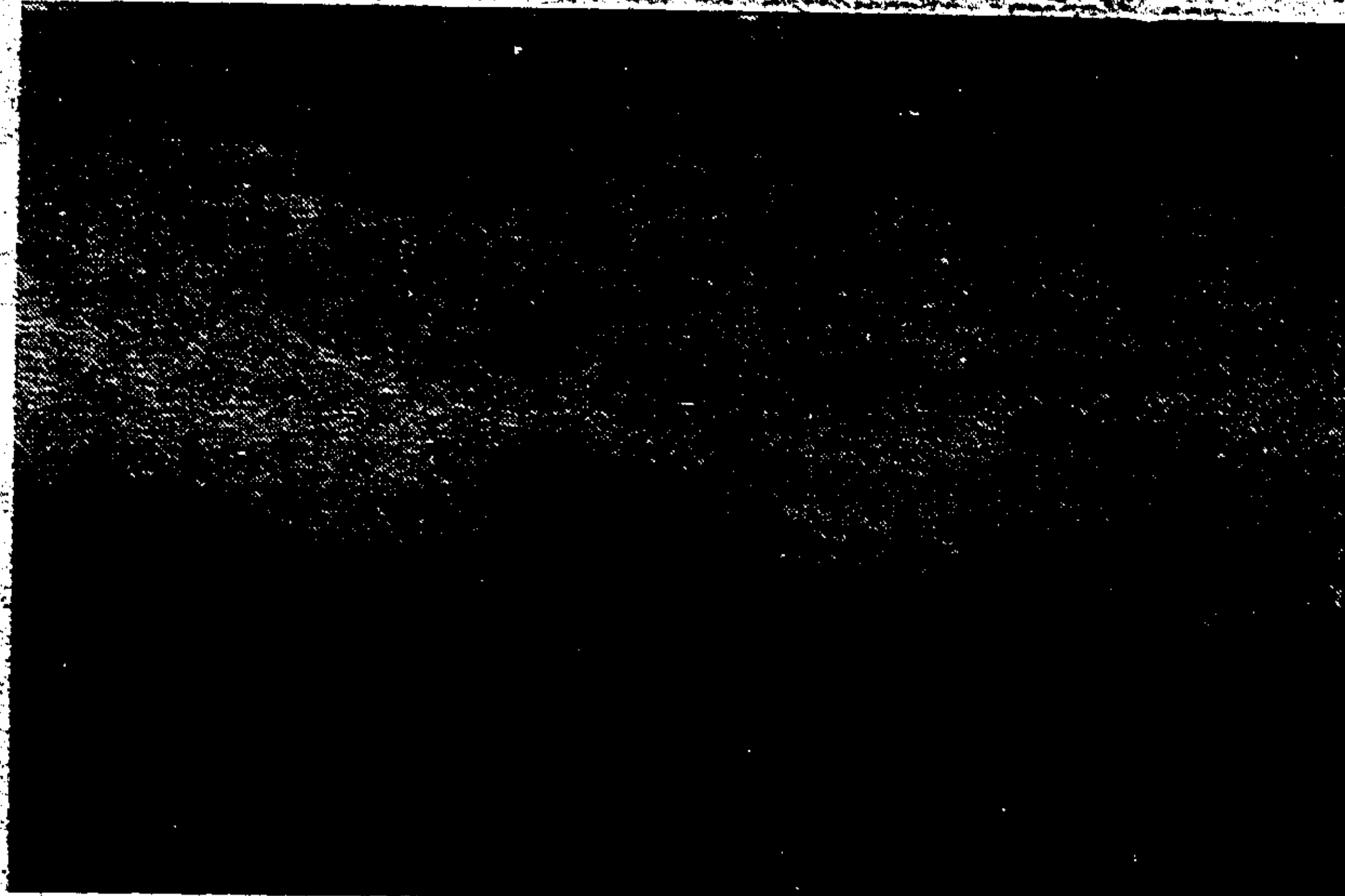
POOTUNG BLAZES

Shanghai, To-day.

Intermittent cannonading ushered in the seventh day of Shanghai's second war.

Some of the fires which lit up both sides of the river last night following the heavy duel between Japanese warships and Chinese batteries in Pootung, died down as morning approached, but others are still burning, especially one in Pootung from which a dense mile-long billow of dark smoke is issuing.

The "North China Daily News" learns that three Japanese divisions are arriving in Shanghai within the next few days.



Taken from a ship in the harbour, photo shows a Chinese bomb bursting in the Wayside district. The pall of dust and smoke following the explosion can be seen rising higher than buildings in the vicinity.

32 JAPANESE PLANES SHOT DOWN

Nanking, To-day.

The Generalissimo's headquarters announce that up till Tuesday this week, 32 Japanese planes were shot down, 25 of them being heavy bombers.

Eight Japanese planes yesterday raided the Chinese aerodrome at Pingpu, wounding seven Chinese anti-aircraft gunners.—Reuter.

MOB ATTACKS

Casualties in the war last night included the well-known Filipino boxer, Ray Mayo, flyweight champion of China.

He was mistaken for a Japanese and was attacked in Nanking Road. He was badly mauled before being rescued and was taken to hospital.

A more serious affair occurred in the French Concession, where one Japanese was killed and another seriously injured as the result of an attack by a mob.—Reuter.

BRITISH REFUGEES

The first is due this morning and, if the Chinese planes appear, their landing promises to be an exciting affair.

The second batch of British refugees are leaving for Hong Kong to-day on the Empress of Asia.

Besides the usual cannonading, Shanghai was treated last night to the first night air attack but the identity of the planes is mystifying in view of Japanese denial of a raid.—Reuter.

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THE WORLD GOES BY

I HAVE just been reading a story which enthralled the American Medical Association at its annual convention. It was that of an unsuccessful business man who underwent an operation which left him minus one lobe of his brain.

As a result he lost the faculties of sensitivity, perception, and discrimination. He no longer worried, he could feel no embarrassment, he never became tired, and he lost all self-consciousness.

He could see anything, and did. For his tirelessness and lack of embarrassment enabled him to wear down the toughest opposition. In fact, he became the ideal business man, and, in a short time, made a million dollars.

It is true that his intelligence diminished in proportion as his riches grew, but that made him even more typical of the successful business man.

For some time it has been known that certain parts of the brain are responsible for different perceptions, others for different emotions, and still others for different senses.

Not long ago a doctor detected in a monkey the location of his laughter neurons (nerve cells to you. The doctors just give 'em these highfalutin' names to bamboozle you into paying double bills).

He connected up a few wires, switched on the current, and the monkey said, "Ha, Ha!" distinctly. And he wasn't laughing at the doctor, either. The monkey, like foxes

By "Ulysses"

which are hunted, thoroughly appreciated that he was Serving A Cause.

Among the brain centres which have already been defined by doctors are those of speech, understanding-of-the-written-word, understanding-of-the-spoken-word, auditory-perception, and even the vomiting area, all water-tight compartments.

I know this is all very complicated, but once we get the brain divided into neatly docketed areas we shall be able to have all sorts of fun and games.

It boils down simply to a matter of applying the necessary electrical stimulus to the correct centres, and, on occasion, a local anesthetic, and . . . Bob's your uncle.

Just a paralysing ray from an electrical machine I shall invent in my spare moments, and your wife is struck with aphasia (speechlessness to you) until you turn off the ray.

Excuse me just a moment. Boy! Go out and get me a good book on How to Invent.

As I was saying when we were interrupted while the ray is operating you can do what has

been your supreme desire for years. Tell 'er off good and proper. And no backchat from her neither.

After once having been nagged at for a couple of hours without cessation she may become a reasonable being in future.

The only way she will be able to retaliate will be by writing down the answers, and nags don't sound so hot that way.

But be careful not to get in the radius of the beam yourself, or you and your wife will have to have a slanging match on paper, pencils in hand—not such a bright prospect for an evening of entertainment.

If my invention falls into the hands of a woman it will make no difference whether or not she uses it, for you won't be able to get a word in edgeways in either case.

A regular course of the paralysing operation, and they because they ray on the appropriate nerve centres never had any brains to be affected, and your wife will lose all interest in the idea of new hats and dress factor. The worst comedian existing has only to have an excitatory spot of radiation on her independence neurons and she will recognise you as the Lord of Creation.

I hope to have a number of specially prepared wives for disposal in a short time. Place your orders now.

A portable apparatus will enable you to get monthly rises from the boss. Unless, of course, he subscribed for the super-power outfit, which will make of you a willing slave working for nothing. But, then, you won't have to pay Income Tax.

The benefits of this invention—(Boy! Have you got that book yet?)—are almost endless. Only Civil Servants will be immune to its

down. The impossible tragedian can become another Henry Irving by buying an outfit tuned to the lachrymatory nerves.

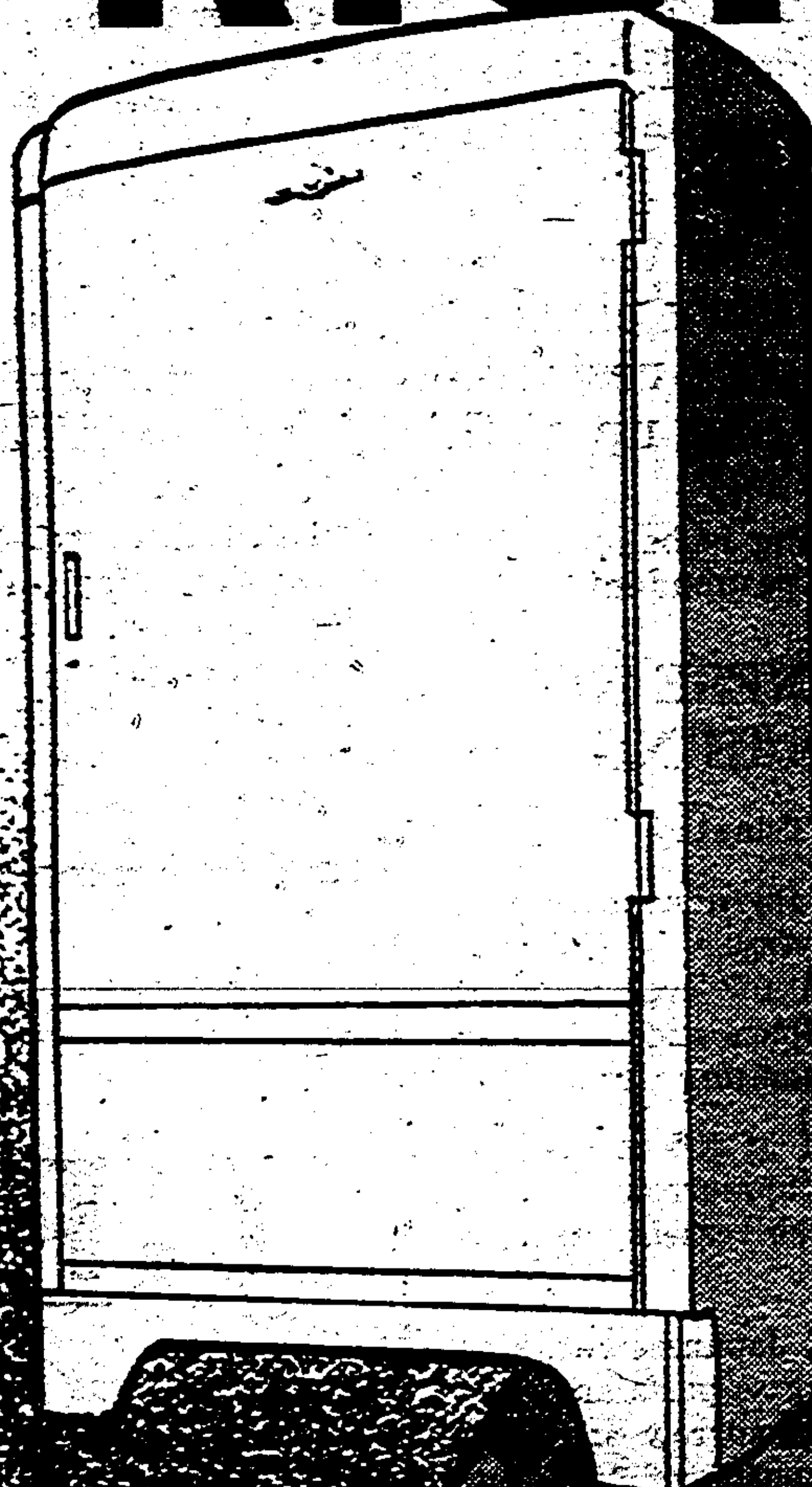
Anticipating phenomenal orders from them, I am prepared to offer special terms to dictators.

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But, come to think of it, one at least of the Dictators must have beaten me to this invention.

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RUSSIANS FROM CANTON BEING SENT BACK

Seme P. Malyin, Michael A. Zakatoff and Pavel I. Tagunoff three Russians from Canton were this morning charged before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy with arriving in the Colony without a valid passport.

Detective Sergeant Russell applied for the withdrawal of the charge which was granted, saying that the defendants would be sent back to Canton.

Thermometer Drops To 77

With intermittent rainfall most of last night the temperature was the lowest for many weeks, the minimum registered being only 77 degrees. At 10 o'clock this morning the thermometer showed 83 degrees, with humidity 82 per cent.

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that a moderate anticyclone is situated over the Pacific to the east of Japan, the western portion covering China generally. A shallow depression remains in the northern China Sea.

Local forecast:—East winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy, occasional rain.

BRITAIN WILL RESOLUTELY GUARD INTERESTS

London, To-day.

Exaggerated or incorrect reports (not carried by Reuter) about British evacuation plans at Shanghai, this morning brought a categorical denial from an authoritative source.

It is stated that far from British interests being left to look after themselves, they will be resolutely guarded, and only those who want, and ought, to leave Shanghai will be moved to Hong Kong.

It is emphasised that the statement following Tuesday's meeting of Cabinet Ministers meant what it said, namely that the British Government will adopt all possible measures to safeguard British lives and interests.—Reuter.

SANTANDER REFUGEES

Paris, To-day.

A message from Rochefort states that a British steamer sailed from Aviles yesterday with 3,000 Basque refugees on board.

The report adds that it is not yet certain where the fugitives will be landed.

Another British steamer, the Thorpe Bay, left Santander yesterday for Bordeaux with 2,200 fugitives on board.—Trans-Ocean.

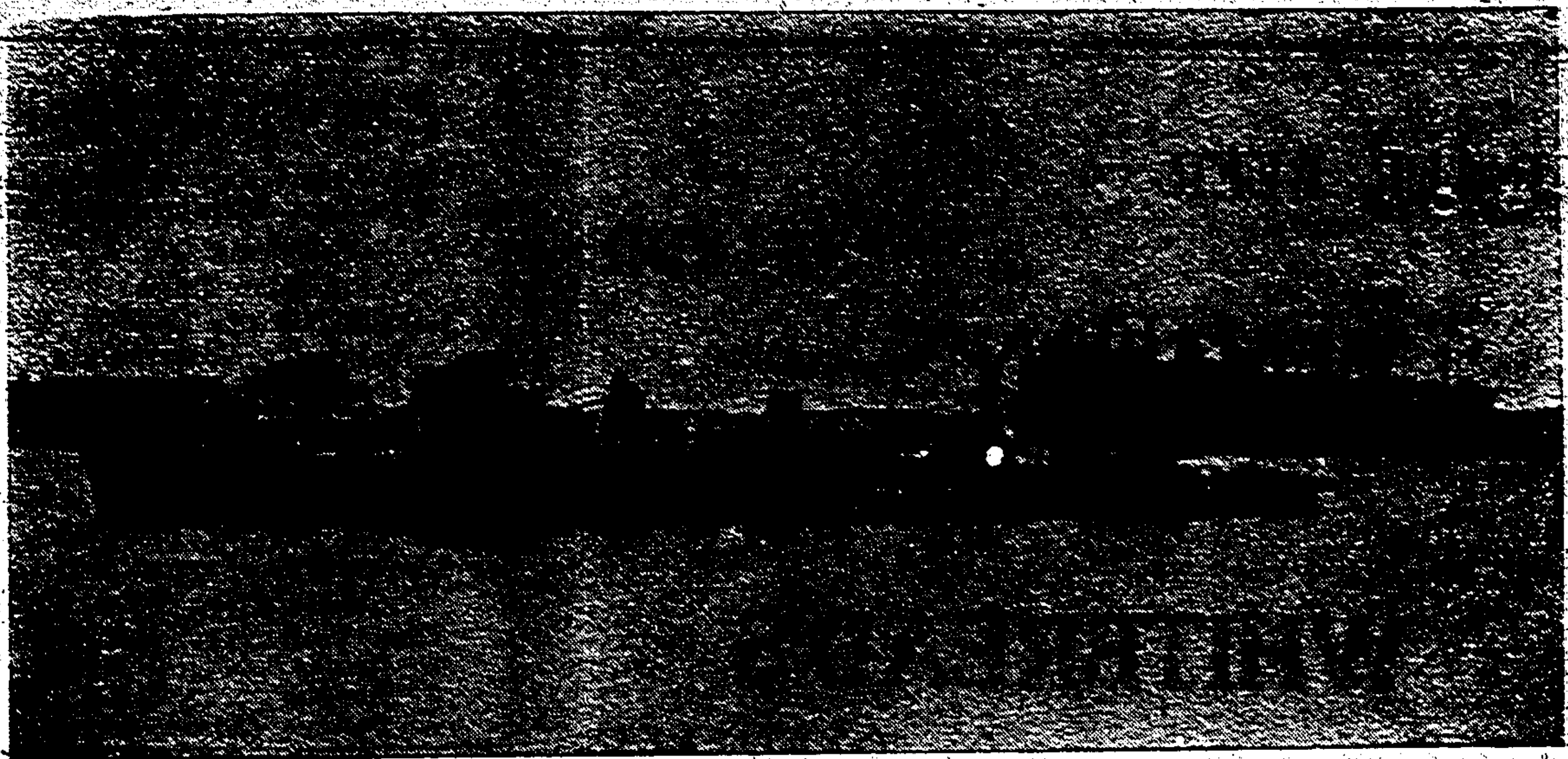
REBELS BEGIN AIR LINE

Salamanca, To-day.

A new air line will shortly be opened between Vittoria, in North Spain, and Tetuan, in Morocco.

The line will make intermediate stops at Burgos, Salamanca, Caceres and Seville.

In Seville, the line will connect with the service to Lisbon.—Trans-Ocean.



It was this Japanese destroyer, lying between Holt's Wharf on the Pootung side and the Shanghai Power Station, seen in the background, which attracted the attention of Chinese planes and led to the disastrous fire at the A.P.C. installation.

BRITAIN PREPARED TO CONSIDER CHANGES IN PALESTINE PARTITION

Geneva, To-day.

The preliminary Report which the Mandates Commission will submit to the League of Nations Council contains seventeen pages of typewritten script dealing at length with the reasons which make it impossible for Jews and Arabs to settle their differences, and with the possibility of arriving at a satisfactory solution under the present mandate in Palestine.

Although the contents of the Report have not been made public as yet, it is understood that the British partition plan is approved by the Commission, which, however, rejects some suggestions for its practical realisation.

No definite attitude is adopted but hints are made of a transition period during which the mandatory Power will be asked to take further measures to keep the two peoples from living in direct contact with each other.

Meanwhile, there has been no official confirmation or denial of a report that the British Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, informed Dr. Weizmann, the Zionist leader, of possible changes in the British partition plan.

Britain, it is merely stated, has not committed herself to carry out any specific alterations in the plan and will leave all questions on this matter to be decided by the League Assembly at its September meeting.

The question of the future of Haifa, which, as a potential naval base, plays an important part in these deliberations, is also to be dealt with at a later date.—Trans-Ocean.

Munich, To-day.

The famous German Alpinist, Paul Bauer, who led the party of climbers sent to recover the bodies of the members of the ill-fated German expedition to Nanga Parbat, returned here yesterday accompanied by Fritz Bechtold.

Herr Bauer, who has now completely recovered from a severe attack of malaria, and Herr Bechtold, travelled by air from Bombay to Brindisi and thence by rail to Munich.

Another member of the expedition, Dr. von Krauss, is arriving later.—Trans-Ocean.

DR. WEIZMANN ON JEWISH LIFE IN PALESTINE

Zurich, To-day.

"I fully realise that the key to our future life in Palestine lies in peace with the Arabs," said Dr. Weizmann, the Zionist leader, speaking at the first session yesterday of the Council of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

The speaker was replying to the American Zionist demand that peace should be reached with the Arabs prior to negotiations with Britain and the League of Nations for possible establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine.

Dr. Weizmann added that peace between Arabs and Jews could be established only on the basis of reciprocal recognition of rights. He said the Jewish State would be ready to join the confederation of Arab countries.—Reuter.

DANISH CABINET HOLD MEETING IN A HOSPITAL

Copenhagen, To-day.

A meeting of the Danish Cabinet was held in strange surroundings yesterday.

Scene of the meeting was the Campbell Hospital, where the Premier is lying ill in bed. Members of the Cabinet called and matters of state were discussed in the sick-room.—Trans-Ocean.

TWO HUNDRED ON HUNGER STRIKE

New Delhi, To-day.

About half of 400 political prisoners who are serving sentences in Bengal jails have been on hunger strike for the last four days in sympathy with the hunger-strikers in the Andaman Island convict prisons.—Reuter.

FRANCO LONDON LOAN BID REPORT DENIED IN SPAIN

Salamanca, To-day.

An official denial was issued by the Nationalists yesterday of foreign press rumours that General Franco is endeavouring to obtain a loan in London.—Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day.

A Gibraltar message states that the new British destroyers, Icarus and Imogen, the cruiser Coventry and the destroyer Hunter, which was damaged by a Spanish insurgent mine off Almeria in May last with a loss of eight lives and to which temporary repairs have been effected, sailed for Malta yesterday.—British Wireless.

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Hong Kong, Thursday, Aug. 19, 1937.

"THE COLONIAL EMPIRE"

The phrase "the Colonial Empire as a whole" is not so commonly used that its interpolation by the Secretary of State for the Colonies at more than one point in his recent speech at the Corona Club Dinner, could be considered as lacking in significance. Mr. Ormsby-Gore is, of course, concerned with the affairs of all and every one of the Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories which form the Colonial Empire, as with the relations between them and the United Kingdom and between the various units and groups, but the conception of that Empire as an entity is comparatively new, and carries implications of the first importance to all the scattered territories which comprise it. They each form part of a political system which is itself a unit of a larger British system embracing the Dominions, India and Burma—a commonwealth in which the political ties are being reinforced by bonds of economic interest.

The men to whom the speech was addressed were, either officially or unofficially, representative of peoples and lands of great diversity, but all had learned from first-hand experience that their respective branches of the Colonial Service had in common not only a tradition in relation to the interests of native peoples but also a common direction and incentive, and that they shared advantages afforded by a number of advisory, technical and training facilities. Among officials at any rate, there is now a growing realisation of the interdependence of the Colonies, and of the fact that they have much to learn from one another, and we can hope that this very desirable tendency, and a wider outlook generally, will be much encouraged by the greater interchange of personnel between Whitehall and the Dependencies which the Secretary of State fore-shadowed.

The New Empire Fund

An anonymous donor has placed at the disposal of Earl Baldwin, as a thankoffering for his "courageous far-seeing and sympathetic handling of a supremely difficult situation" last December, the sum of £250,000 for the purpose of endowing any object calculated to strengthen still further the ties that bind the Empire together, and Lord Baldwin has accepted the gift and proposes that it should form the basis of a new Imperial Trust to be administered by independent

trustees. This is a most timely deed for all who have the welfare of the Empire at heart. The new Fund seems to be directly applicable to matters concerning the relations of the Dominions and India with the United Kingdom, but if the broadest interpretation be placed upon the donor's intention that it should strengthen the ties of Empire, then the Colonial Empire can certainly not be left out of account. There will be no lack of schemes deserving support from either the new Empire Fund or the Pilgrim or similar Trusts, but we would like to suggest that there is one object to which some grant might be most usefully devoted, and that is to the task of making the Colonial Empire better known to the British public. The Marketing Board, when it gets to work, may help in that direction, but systematic educational effort is really needed, using that term in the broadest sense.

Cooler Skins in the Tropics

Old-timers in and out of Malaya, if they read a recent Straits Settlements annual report, would observe with some envy that in the homes of Singapore there is being introduced a system of ventilation which displaces fans by delivering conditioned air into all the apartments of the house. Not only so, but bed that unavoidably stuffy refuge, when beneath a mosquito net, becomes a cool and pleasant place if conditioned air is laid on. In a few years' time, remarks the report, "European residents in Singapore will probably look back and wonder how their predecessors bore the trials and discomforts of their day."

What, then, must be the comments, say, on the item of news which was published in the "Sunday Herald" recently, describing the latest addition to tropical kit? The portable refrigerator has "arrived," not for keeping food but for the refreshment of human kind. It appears that in future the perspiring and enervated European in the tropics who has the advantage of an electricity supply will be able to retire into a cubicle the size of a ship's cabin and there enjoy the ideal temperature for as long as outside claims or envious friends permit.

Repelling the Dirt

The Home Secretary's hesitations about compulsory provision of soap and water in factories would at least have won a measure of approval from Thomas Walker, a famous London police magistrate and author of a century ago. According to Walker the body required no attention at all to keep it clean. There was, he declared, a repellent power in a healthy person's skin which "causes dirt to fly away like light reflected from a mirror." He said that he had made a personal experiment with his theory, leaving his face unwashed for several weeks, and at the end of that time "my countenance was radiant with health." He does not, however, seem to have continued the practice. Perhaps his countenance lost its repellent power towards dirt; the stuff may have begun to lie there and linger in the way that it does on more ordinary types of epidermis.

FRANCE AND UNITED STATES ENDORSE NEUTRALITY PLAN To Support British Demarche In Tokyo & Nanking

HOPEFUL OF JAPANESE ACCEPTANCE

London, To-day.

The British Ambassadors in Nanking and Tokyo have been instructed to approach the Chinese and Japanese Governments with a view to neutralising the Shanghai area.

It is learned that the Ambassadors proposed that China and Japan withdraw their forces from the area, and Britain would undertake responsibility for protection of Japanese residents, provided that France and the United States would assist her.

Delimitation of the area to be neutralised would be a matter for local discussion.

It is felt that these proposals should test the genuineness of the Japanese contention that their forces are operating in Shanghai only in order to protect Japanese lives and property.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

France has agreed to submit joint proposals to Tokyo and Nanking with Great Britain and U.S.A. for protecting the neutrality of the International Settlement at Shanghai.

The proposal is that both Chinese and Japanese withdraw all their forces, including aircraft and warships, from the Shanghai zone, while Britain, the United States and France would undertake to protect the lives and property of both Chinese and Japanese.

UNITED FRONT

Prospects of Japan accepting the proposal were regarded as more favourable last night than earlier in the day in British Government circles.

The fact that the three Powers have established a united front in the matter is regarded in London as a cause for gratification.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDON PAPERS SCEPTICAL

London, To-day.

Considerable doubt is expressed by the London newspapers of the success of the British proposals regarding Shanghai.

The United States attitude is now uncertain, says one journal, while Tokyo is practically sure to refuse to withdraw her forces from Shanghai.

It is also pointed out that a large number of troops would be necessary for protection of the Settlement.

MOBILISATION ORDER

The reports of a general mobilisation in China have destroyed the last hopes here that peace will be preserved, and the situation is considered extremely grave.

Official quarters in Whitehall deny there is any intention to withdraw all British nationals from Shanghai, or to close down all British business houses there, since British business interests in Shanghai are far too important for such an eventuality to be en-

visaged.

It is added that the British Government is determined to take all measures which may be needed for protection of British interests.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH STATEMENT

London, To-day.

There is no change in the British Government's view that the conflict in which Japan and China are becoming ever more deeply involved is capable of a peaceful settlement, given the goodwill which had been repeatedly professed both at Tokyo and Nanking and, in particular, that the tension which has recently arisen at Shanghai could and should be relieved at once so as to avert the threat to the safety of the International Settlement by an agreement between the parties for the redispersion of the local forces which have clashed.

Means for bringing to an end the dangerous situation at Shanghai have been for some days under discussion, both between the British and other diplomatic, consular and military and naval authorities on the spot, and by their home governments, and definite proposals have now been addressed by the British Government through diplomatic channels to the Chinese and Japanese Governments.

ESSENTIALS OF PLAN

Details of the proposals are not available but it is understood that in the British view, the essentials of any scheme for the isolation of the International Settlement from the theatre of any Sino-Japanese hostilities are, first, mutually agreed exclusion of Japanese and Chinese military and naval forces from a zone including and surrounding Shanghai and, secondly, to give confidence to the Japanese for the safety of their nationals on the one hand and to the Chinese against the use of International Settlement as a military base on the other hand, that the protection of Japanese in Shanghai should be entrusted to other foreign contingents in the Settlement acting in concert.

BRITISH STEPS

In the meantime, British authorities in Shanghai are carrying out the arrangements already announced for enabling those of their nationals, mostly women and children, whom it is unnecessary should be exposed to considerable danger to life and limb which the military activities of the Chinese and Japanese at present involve, to leave the city until normal conditions are restored. The majority of British residents are engaged in business concerns which they cannot abandon and at a meeting of Ministers in London yesterday, it was agreed that efficient measures should be taken to ensure their safety as well as protection for the large British interests centred in Shanghai.—British Wireless.

VICTORIA TO BRING ITALIANS TO HONG KONG

Rome, To-day.

Italian nationals in Shanghai have taken on the Lloyd Triestino liner Victoria, which has left Woosung for Hong Kong, where she is expected to-morrow, says "Corriere della Sera".

Refugees of several other countries have been permitted to embark on the Victoria, and it is believed that 50 Swiss and 50 Spaniards are on board.—Trans-Ocean.

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SANTANDER ARMY ON BRINK OF COLLAPSE

Paris, To-day.

All newspaper reports from Spain indicate that the Nationalist drive on Santander will shortly draw to its inevitable conclusion—complete collapse of a defence which is a shadowy one at best.

Large numbers of the Basque troops surrendered yesterday after they had been cut off by Nationalist columns, moving with almost incredible rapidity.

A communique issued in Madrid yesterday admits that the position on this front is dismal.

The communique claims that most of the Nationalist troops engaged in the drive are Italian volunteers, for divisions of which bore the brunt of the recent heavy fighting.—Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET BACKING KUNG CREDIT IN CZECHO-SLOVAKIA

Vienna, To-day.

"There was friendly co-operation between the Austrian and Chinese Governments during my stay in Vienna," declared the Chinese Finance Minister, Dr. H. H. Kung yesterday.

Newspapers report that Dr. Kung also conferred in Vienna with the Soviet Foreign Commissioner, M. Maxim Litvinov, who is holidaying at a nearby spa.

Subject of the conversations, say the papers, was the Czecho-Slovakian credits to China, for which the Soviet is said to have assumed the position of guarantor.—Trans-Ocean.

VIENNA PUBLIC ORDER DECREE

Vienna, To-day.

A new law for the maintenance of public order, replacing the emergency decrees of the last few years, comes into force to-morrow.

Most important clause in the law is that which declares that the Austrian Nazi Party, styled the home defence organisation, and the Socialist Party, are still forbidden throughout the country.

Public display of the standards or emblems of the two parties, or wearing of their uniforms, is declared a punishable offence.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALY ENTERS AIR RACE

Marseilles, To-day.

Eight Italian planes landed at an aerodrome near Marseilles yesterday to participate in the air race from Istres-Damascus-Paris.

One of the machines is piloted by Bruno Mussolini, son of the Duce.—Trans-Ocean.

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NINE-POWER TREATY

German Comment On New Era Arising In Far East

Berlin, To-day.

An article appearing in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" on the latest developments in the Sino-Japanese conflict says the war plainly shows that extensive changes have occurred in the Far East, both as regards the balance of power on the spot and the part played by the Far East in world affairs as compared with former times.

The conflict between China and Japan has become a matter over which the two countries themselves have to bring about a decision, while the foreign Powers, formerly of such cardinal importance, have been compelled to adopt the role of spectators.

Having passed through grave domestic struggles, China has found the way to national self-determination only during the last one and a half decades.

PROBLEM OF FUTURE

As regards her political power, however, owing to her difficult domestic conditions she has not yet been able to make her natural weight fully felt in East Asia.

That will remain the problem of the future, and its solution essentially depends upon the force and speed with which the idea of national solidarity can further penetrate her 400,000,000 people.

The foreign Powers have adopted a stand-by attitude towards the present conflict, and their interest in East Asia is now limited to the question of how far their economic interests in East Asia will be affected by the military events and their consequences.

Neither Britain nor the United States will abandon their reserved

attitude unless their financial and economic interests in East Asia seem to make it necessary and advisable.

NINE-POWER TREATY

None of the Occidental signatories of the Washington Nine-Power Treaty have so far thought of doing anything for the maintenance of China's integrity.

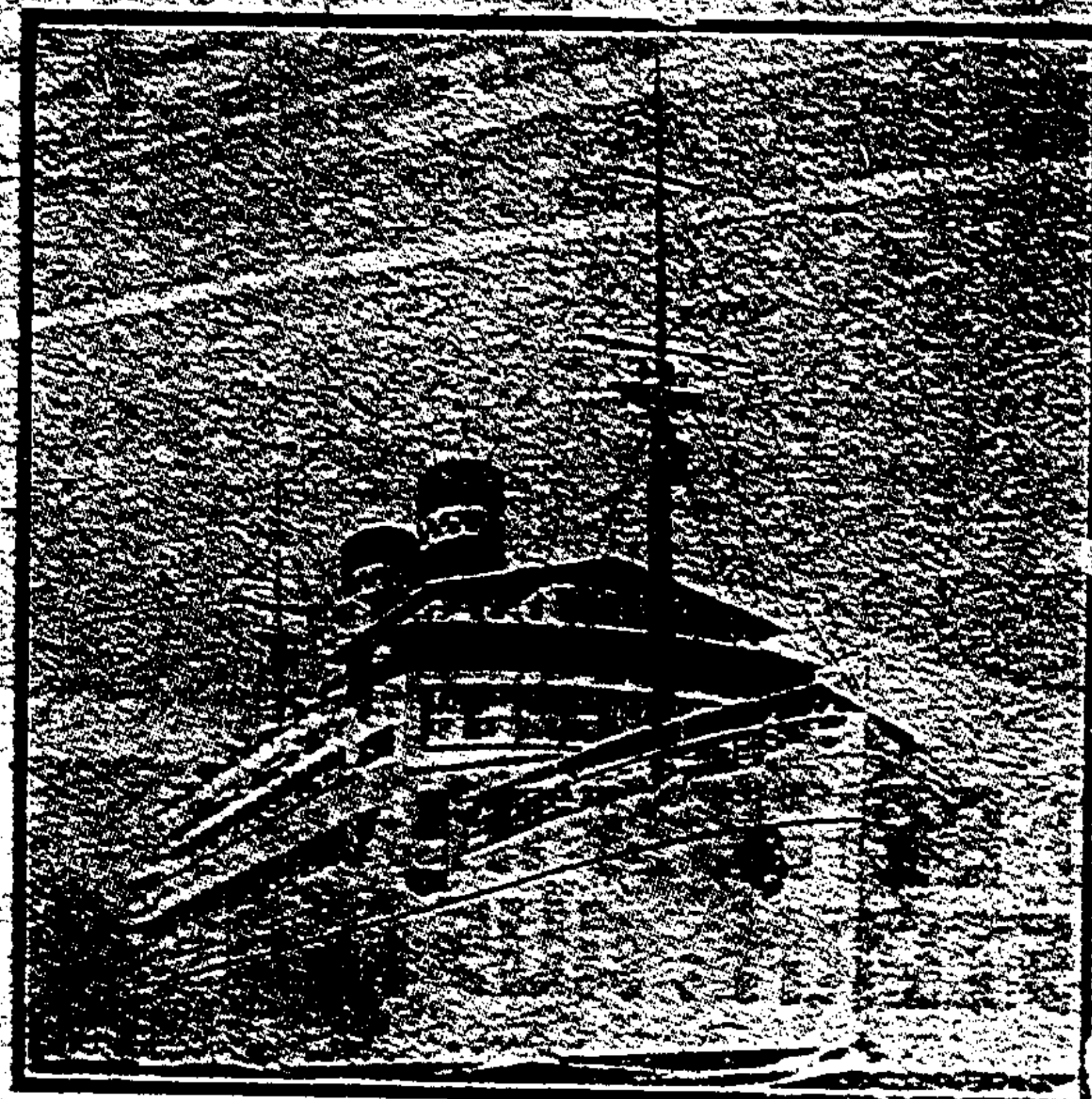
And so the last treaty ties between East Asia and the foreign Powers have vanished.

By intentionally disregarding their Washington obligations, the foreign Powers have left no doubt that they prefer now, and in the future, to leave the Far East to Asiatics.

The time of safe intervention by the Powers in the Far East has gone, and the emancipation of the Far East has become an historic fact, which can no longer be disregarded—Trans-Ocean.

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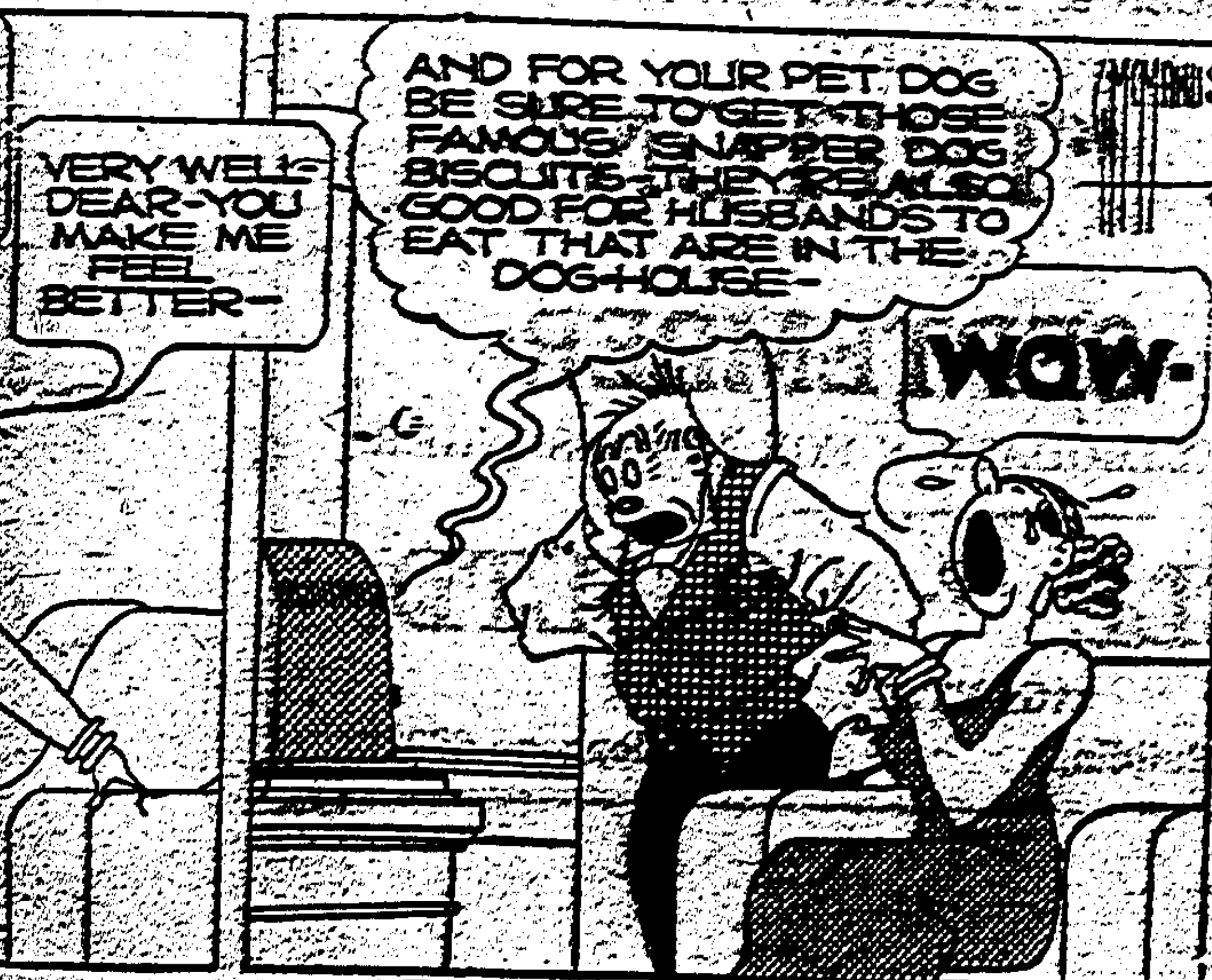
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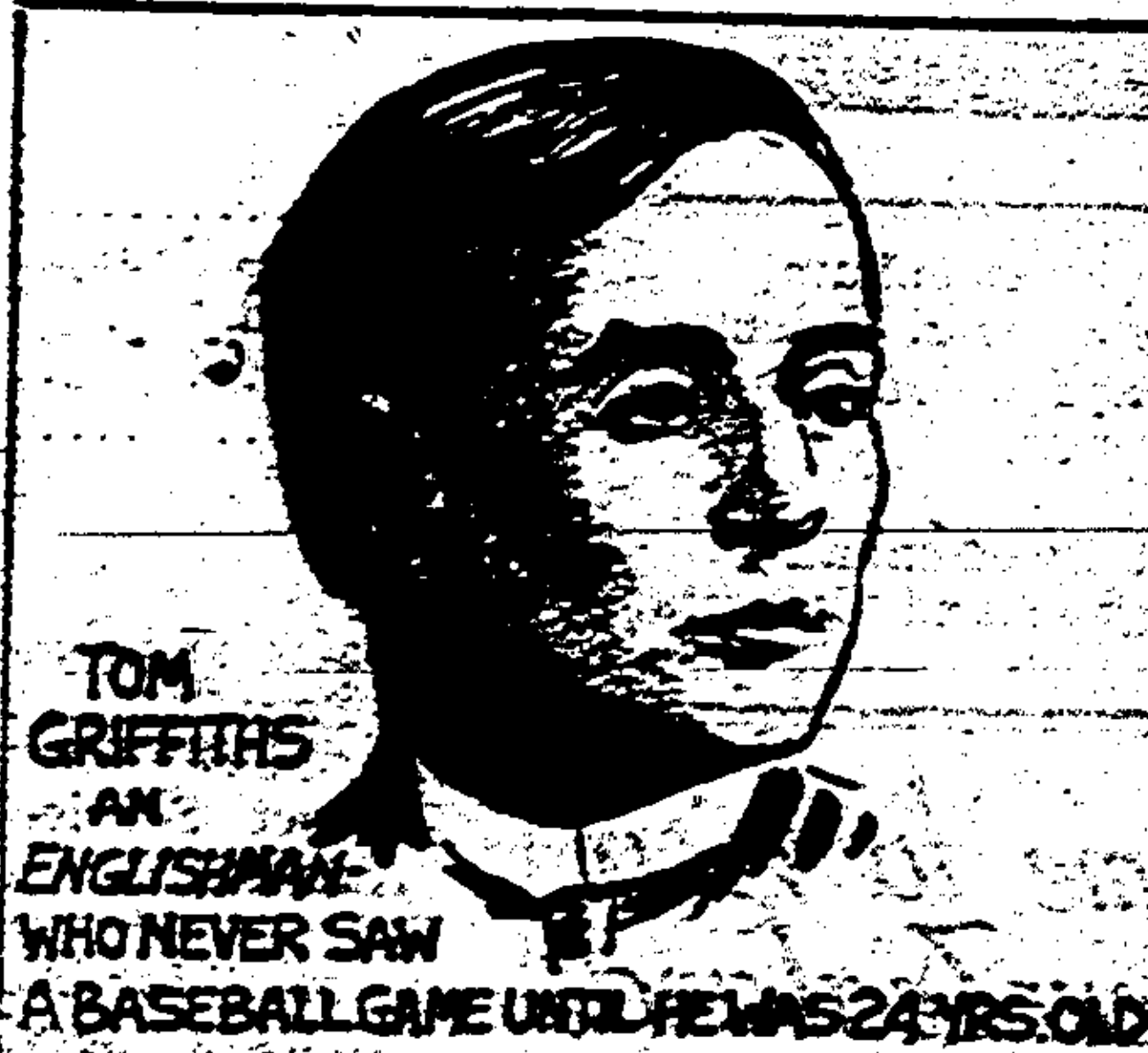
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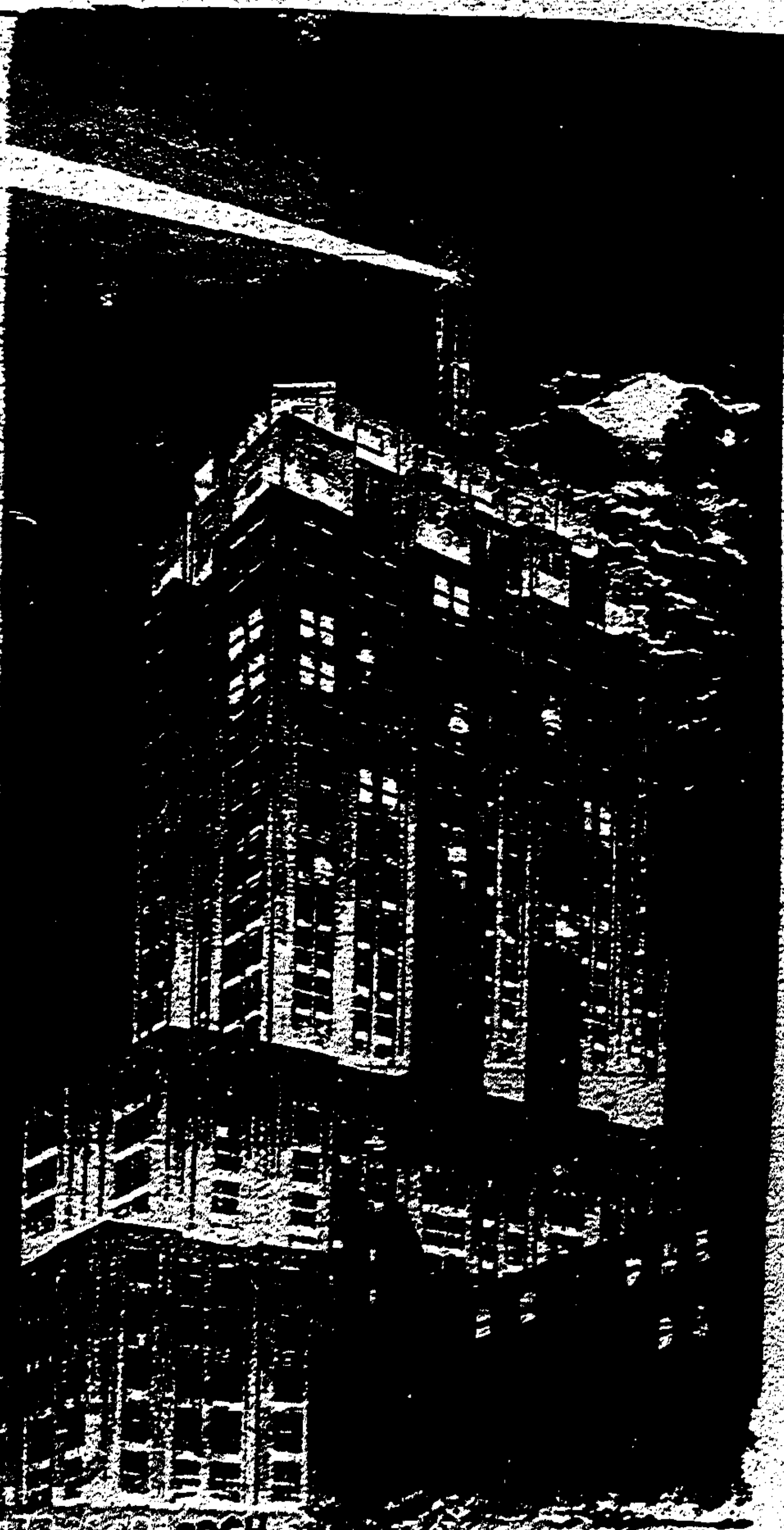
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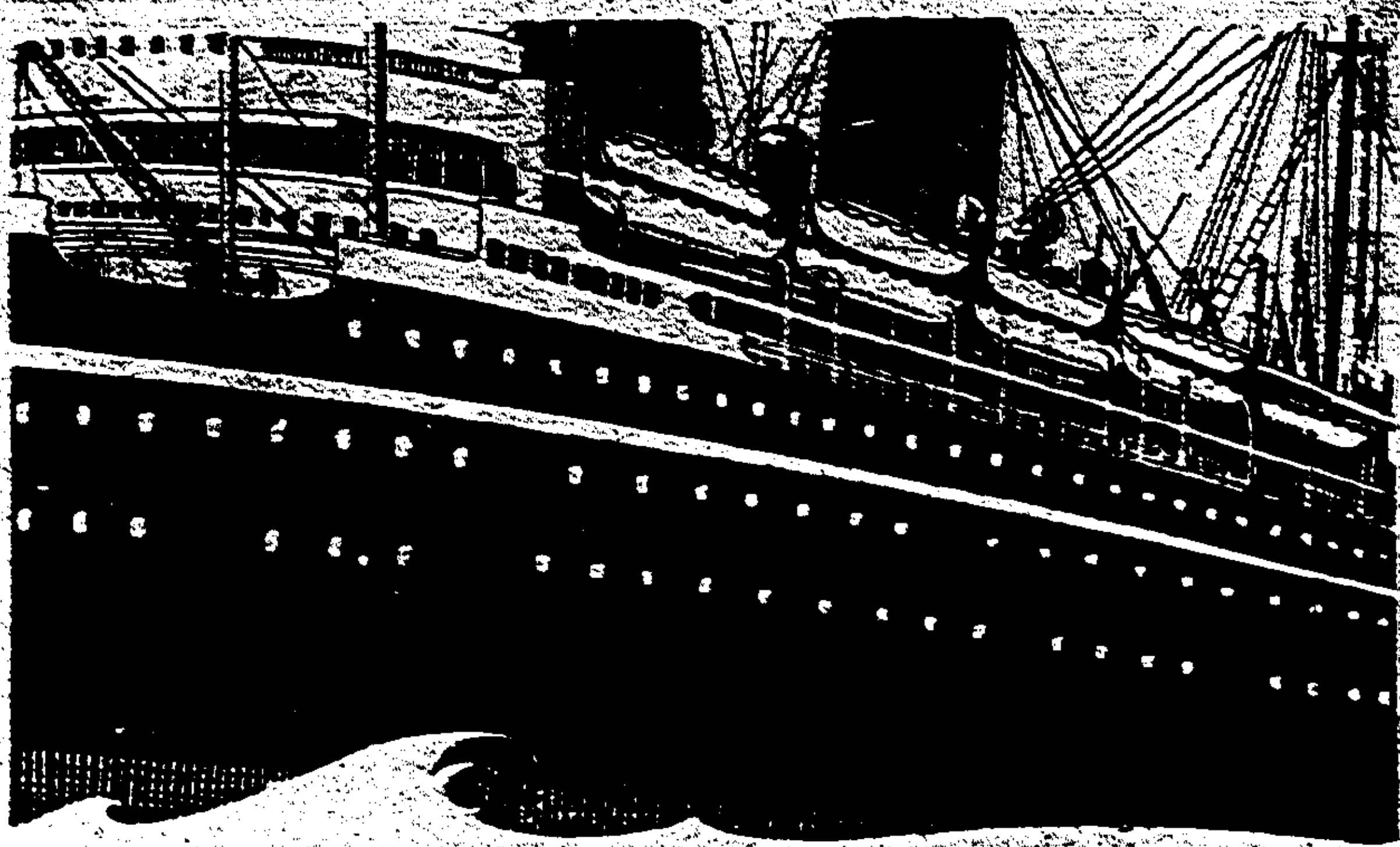


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TILAWA	10,000	25th Sept.	Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta.
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TILAWA	10,000	2nd Sept.	Amoy and Japan.
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Straits	Van Heutsz	August 24.
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Friday

*Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Fri., Aug. 20.
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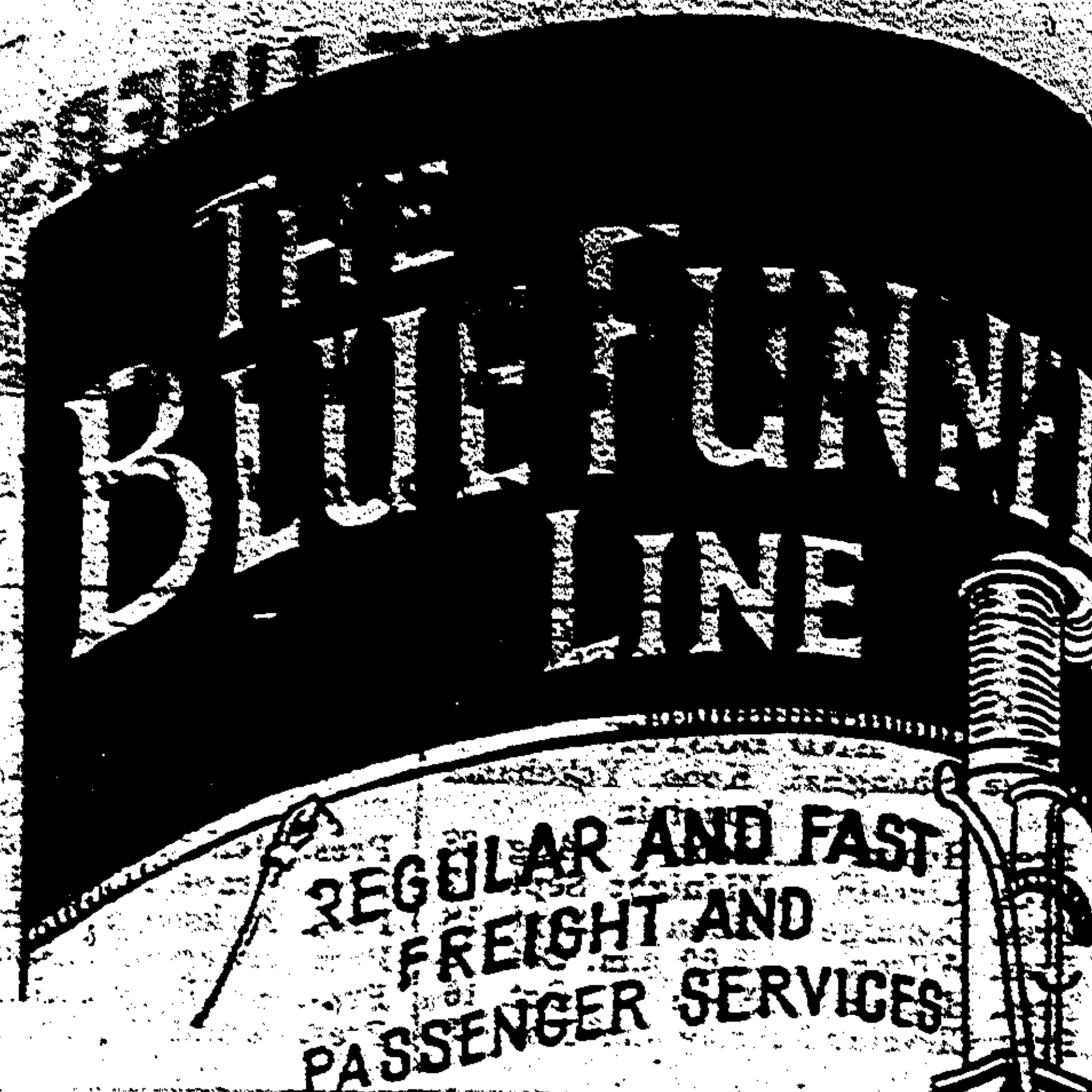
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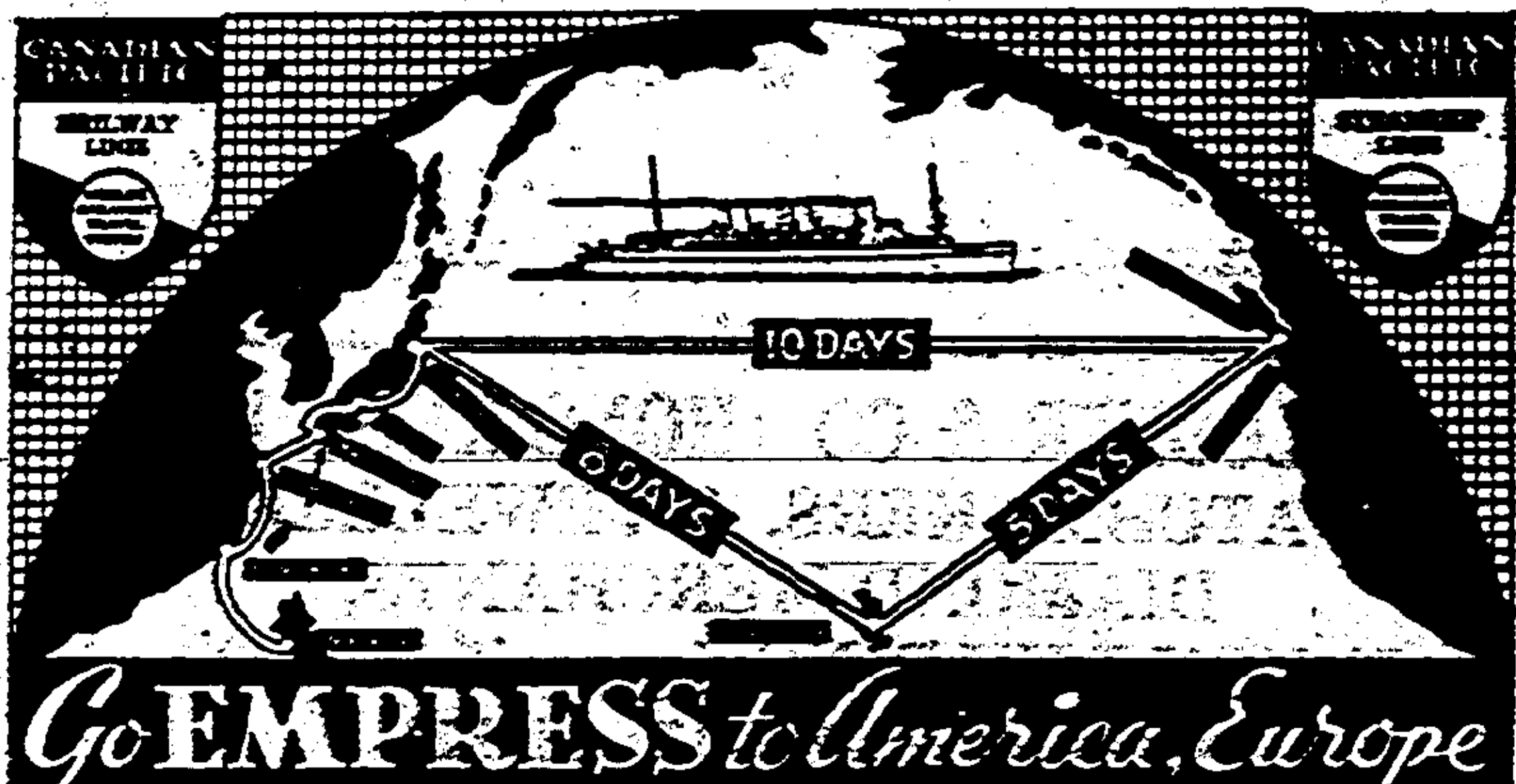
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London, To-day. Considerable interest has been aroused in foreign exchange circles as a result of a sharp fall in the United States dollar, which closed yesterday at 4.9940, compared with 4.9840 on Tuesday night.

While somewhat taken aback by the suddenness of the decline, well-informed circles opine the fall was chiefly due to accelerated transference of Continental dollar balances to London on reports that the United States Congress may hold a special session in November, at which it is feared that some action may be decided upon in connexion with the "hot money" problem. — Reuter.

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DUTCH STEAMER IN DISTRESS NEAR CASABLANCA

Paris, To-day. The Casablanca radio station has picked up distress signals from the Dutch steamer "Willmoplein," which collided in fog with an unknown vessel. — Trans-Ocean.

London, To-day. The Board of Trade index number of industrial production in the United Kingdom in the second quarter of the year was 23 per cent higher than in the previous quarter and 9.1 per cent above the June quarter of 1936, the index numbers for the three periods with the year, 1930, as the base, being 134.7132.7 and 123.5 respectively.

Most important increases in activity recorded in the June quarter compared with the same quarter of last year were in respect of the electrical engineering, ship-building, iron and steel, chemicals and textiles. There was also a substantial rise for non-ferrous metals. — British Wireless.

WARSHIPS CHASE STEAMER

Paris, To-day. It is reported from Algiers that two warships of unknown nationality have been seen in pursuit of a Spanish Government steamer, the Arcoa, which succeeded in reaching Algiers in spite of an outbreak of fire on board.

The captain of the steamer stated that the two warships had been following him for four days, while the ship had also been repeatedly attacked by seaplanes. — Trans-Ocean.

The Moonlight Cruise arranged by the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society for Saturday evening has been cancelled.

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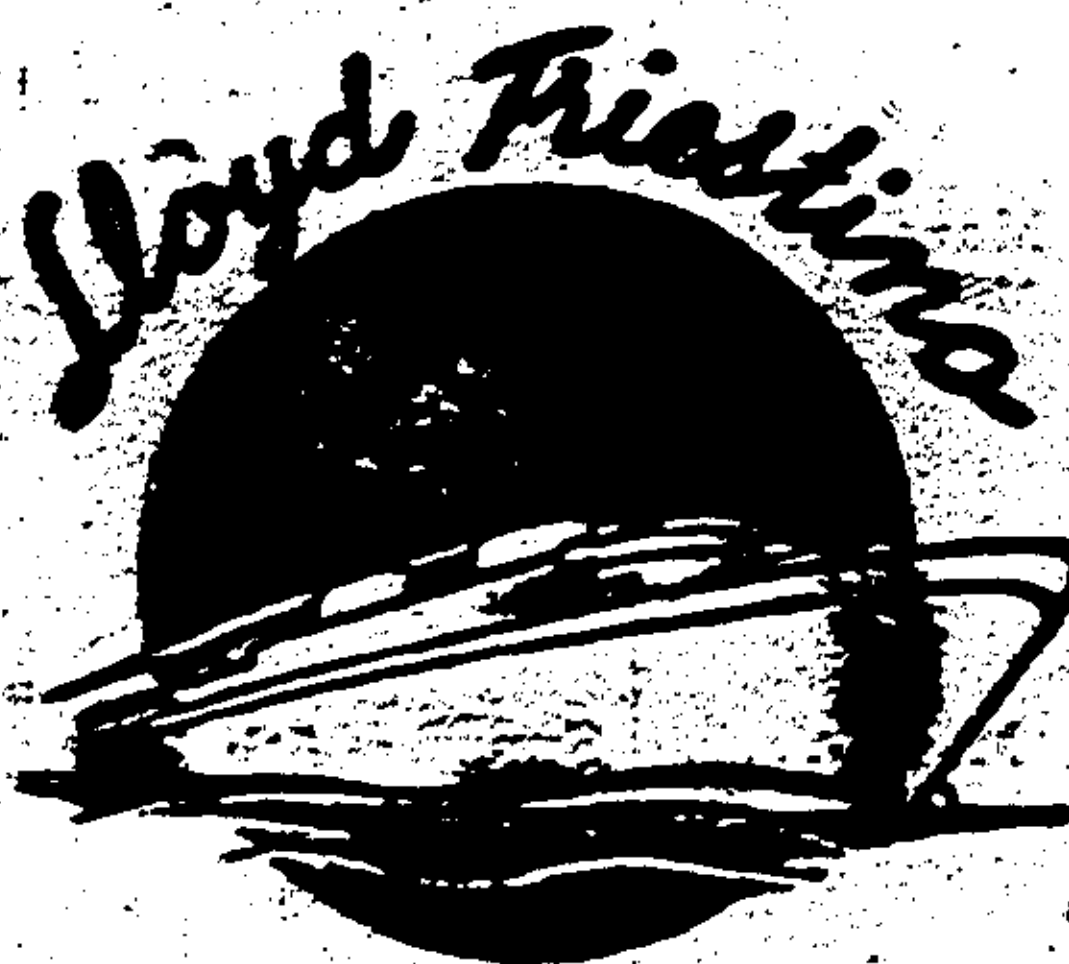
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Masbate Consol.	.60
Min. Resources	.17 1/2
Northern Mining	.16
Paracale Gumans	.05
Salacot Mining	.30 1/2
San Mauricio	.02
Suyoc Consol.	.93
United Paracales	.25
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LOCAL DOLLAR UP
London Silver Prices

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-15/16 and "forward," at 19-15/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at \$-US\$4.9925 and the New York on London cross rate -£U.S.\$4.994.

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TO BROADCAST

The Hong Kong Broadcasting Committee are to be congratulated on securing the services of Professor L. T. Ride this evening at 7 p.m. to give his experiences in war-torn Shanghai.

Professor Ride, of the Medical Department of the University and a well-known cricketer, who gave a brief interview to the "China Mail" yesterday, returned to the Colony on Tuesday by the German vessel, Kulmerland.

UNITED STATES
NEUTRALITY
ACT WORRIES

Washington, To-day.

"The situation is so unequal that application of the Neutrality Act might put the United States in a position of favouring one nation."

So declared the Secretary for Commerce, Mr. Daniel Roper, referring yesterday to the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Mr. Roper made public figures showing that in the first five months of this year, United States exports to China were valued at US\$26,256,000 and to Japan US\$149,325,000. Exports to Japan consisted primarily of cotton, oil and petrol.

IMPORTANT ISSUE

Mr. Roper said that whether to designate these exports as implements of war subject to an embargo would be an important question if the Neutrality Act were invoked.

Meanwhile, he assumed that American businessmen would continue trading with China and Japan with full knowledge of the barriers and circumstances that were likely to develop.

Mr. Roper added that there had been no indication that the shipment of five locomotives to China, which had been arranged through the Export and Import Bank, would be delayed on account of the war-Renter.

GERMAN FOREIGN
TRADE

Berlin, To-day.

German foreign trade for the last seven months showed a favourable balance of £17,500,000.

Imports from the United Kingdom, Australia and Canada showed an increase compared with the same period last year but imports from India and South Africa decreased.—Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.

The German trade balance for July shows an export surplus of 30,000,000 reichsmarks as against a deficit of 23,000,000 reichsmarks in June.—Trans-Ocean.

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DRAW FOR HARDCOURT TOURNAMENT

HONG KONG HOCKEY CLUB'S LOSS

Subscription Is Raised

The Hong Kong Hockey Club held its annual meeting yesterday, when Mr. A. A. Dand presided in the absence of Mr. W. Woodward. Mr. G. Sommer (Secretary), Mr. E. V. Reed (Treasurer), and Messrs. J. Rodger, G. E. R. Divett, R. A. Bates, and J. Potter also being present.

A deficit of \$123.50 was reported on general expenses during the season.

The meeting decided to raise the annual subscription from \$7 to \$10.

The election of officers resulted: President, Mr. A. A. Dand; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. W. Woodward, E. J. R. Mitchell and J. Rodger; Secretary, Mr. G. Sommer; Treasurer, Mr. E. V. Reed; Captain 1st XI, G. E. R. Divett; Vice-Captain, R. A. Bates; Captain 2nd XI, L. Starbuck; General Committee, Messrs. J. Potter, W. A. Reed, H. Owen Hughes, R. A. Bates and B. I. Bickford.

The first eleven will continue to play their games on Wednesdays, and the second eleven on Fridays. Practice matches will begin early in September.



A. Hyde Lay, above, played a great game in the final of the Colony Open Rinks championship as skip, though his rink lost.

RECREIO BEAT K. INDIANS IN "C" DIVISION

Club de Recreio beat Kowloon Indians Tennis Club by 6 sets to 0 in the "C" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

C. C. Pereira and H. Gonsalves (Recreio) beat K. S. Mehal and Jahan Day 6-2
beat M. Ramzan and S. R. Salleh 7-5
A. E. Xavier and H. A. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat Mehal and Dad 6-3
beat A. R. Azan and Costa 6-1
V. Ivanovich and M. Guterres (Recreio) beat Azan and Costa 6-4
beat Ramzan and Salleh 6-0
The last round was not played owing to rain.

"SEEDING" IN EACH EVENT

COMPLETION EXPECTED WITHIN FORTNIGHT ON LINES OF WIMBLEDON

(By "Adrem")

THE draw for the Colony Hardcourt Tennis Championships was held last night at the U.S.R.C. In accordance with their reservation of the right to "seed" should they consider it necessary, Tsui Wai-pui, E. C. Fincher, S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn have been "seeded" in the singles event, while the doubles combinations which have been similarly dealt with are S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman, E. C. Fincher and G. Bodiker and W. C. Hung and Tsui Wai-pui.

THE TENNIS SUB-COMMITTEE HAVE DONE THEIR JOB WELL. THERE WILL BE LITTLE ARGUMENT IN RESPECT OF THE ABOVE-NAMED BEING THE MOST PROMINENT WHO WILL BE ON VIEW.

There may be a certain amount of dissension in the fact that E. C. Fincher and G. Bodiker have been ranked above A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves despite the victory of the latter pair in the League, and a generally better all-round record in recent games.

Consideration has evidently been made of Bodiker's familiarity of hardcourts, which, with Fincher's adaptability and experience should make this combination a formidable one.

FIRST ROUND TIES

Although none of the "giants" should meet with a great deal of opposition, other excellent first round ties in the singles are A. V. Gosano v. A. Crawford, G. Chos v. Wong Fuk-nam, F. H. Kwok v. S. W. Liang, S. A. Gray v. A. L. Sullivan, M. A. Oliveira v. L. M. A. Razack.

In the doubles also, none of the "seeded" players should have any difficulty in negotiating their first matches, and it will be necessary to wait until the final stages are reached before any really good games should be seen.

ON WIMBLEDON LINES

I am told that U.S.R.C. hope to conduct the tournament as near as possible on the lines of Wimbledon and provided the weather is fairly kind, are confident that both events will be concluded within a fortnight.

Challenge trophies have been presented by Dr. Smalley and Mr. Moncrieff, while replicas will be put up by U.S.R.C.

The draw was made yesterday and resulted:

SINGLES

Byes into 2nd Round:
Tsui Wai-pui v. In Tak-chek
G. Bodiker v. winner of A. V. Gosano v. A. Crawford
First Round:
A. V. Gosano v. A. Crawford
W. C. Hung v. Capt. Loch
G. Chos v. Wong Fuk-nam
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Byes into 2nd Round:
Lui Wai-fan v. H. D. Rumjahn

DOUBLES

Byes into 2nd Round:
S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v. Capt. Loch and J. Tomlinson
J. Pengelly and I. Agafuroff v. T. K. Leung and J. Hsu

First Round

Major McDonald and A. N. Other v. G. Chos and J. W. Leonard
Wong Fuk-nam and Lui Kwai-fan v. S. A. and S. S. Hussain
F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v. F. Zimmermann and A. N. Other
Ma Nai-kwong and Li Kwai-hung v. A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman
E. C. Fincher and G. Bodiker v. S. A. Gray and A. Crawford
A. V. Remedios and J. Gonsalves v. G. E. Clarke and G. C. Burnett
A. V. Gosano and B. T. Gosano v. R. R. Todd and G. E. R. Divett
In Tak-chek and Wong Shiu-wing v. E. C. Fincher and D. J. N. Anderson

Byes into 2nd Round:
I. Mahan Singh and Firdos Khan v. Chan Kam-moon and Chan Kam-hung
Dr. A. M. Rodrigues and H. A. Barros v. W. C. Hung and Tsui Wai-pui

K.I.T.C. SHARE SPOIL WITH CIVIL SERVICE

HUSSAIN BROTHERS UNDEFEATED

In the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League yesterday, Kowloon Indians and Civil Service Cricket Club.

S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain (K.I.T.C.) beat J. Pengelly and F. Bradley 6-4
beat L. Agafuroff and B. Agafuroff 6-3
beat N. J. Bebbington and C. Sloan 6-3
F. Khan and I. Mahan Singh (K.I.T.C.) drew with Pengelly and Bradley 6-6
lost to Agafuroff and Agafuroff 1-6
beat Bebbington and Sloan 6-3
M. Singh and A. Khan (K.I.T.C.) lost to Pengelly and Bradley 0-6
lost to Agafuroff and Agafuroff 1-6
lost to Bebbington and Sloan 2-6

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LEONARD'S BRILLIANT DISPLAY

Playing in darkness, after leading at the 19th head by 22 shots to 20, C. S. Rosselet's Craigengower Cricket Club's rink won the Open Lawn Bowls Rink Championship yesterday at Club de Recreio, when they beat A. Hyde Lay's four by 30 shots to 20 in the final of the competition.

The game was discontinued at the 19th head with the Craigengower Club rink leading by two shots, owing to the heavy drizzle which fell at the time, but the players suddenly decided to complete the game and the rest of the match was played in darkness.

The remainder of the match was a farce as the players were not

able to see the jack and had to be guided by light from cigarette ends or match sticks.

NOT VERY GOOD BOWLS

The standard of the game did not reach great heights, but there were several good heads during the game and Hyde Lay's rink must be commended in the magnificent manner in which they caught up their opponents after having been led by a large margin to come within striking distance of winning the match.

Soares had the better of Watson for the greater part of the game. The latter did not play anything like his usual game till late in the match.

Leonard and Hosking shared the honours at No. two.

The former was often applauded for the manner in which he drew the shot, his touchers in the last three heads being beauties.

Hosking, after an indifferent start, finished strongly and these two players provided the main interest of the match.

HYDE LAY IMPROVES

Craig had the better of Souza throughout the game, and the latter

was not able to do much though he sent down some excellent shots. Hyde Lay was very poor at the start, but improved greatly in the latter stages of the game and finished brilliantly, while "Charlie" Rosselet was good throughout the game, being especially sound with his heavy draws.

Though Hyde Lay's four scored a brace at the first head, they found themselves 12 shots in arrears at the fifth head, but steady bowling found them on equal terms at the 17th head, thanks to a five on the 15th end. The Craigengower rink scored a single on the next two heads when the game was adjourned owing to rain. In pitch darkness the Craigengower rink registered two fours on the next two heads.

On the eighth end, Rosselet saved his side when he opened up the

head, to save a five and score two shots when he carried the jack.

The game was actually a fight for possession of the jack. The Craigengower rink preferred the shorter heads and invariably came out best on these, while the Kowloon rink were more at home in long heads and had the Valley side in difficulty on several occasions.

J. Watson, J. Soares,
C. B. Hosking, J. W. Leonard,
C. Craig, L. C. R. Souza,
A. Hyde Lay, C. S. Rosselet,
(skip) (skip)

Head	Shots	Shots
1	2	0
2	0	2
3	0	3
4	0	4
5	0	5
6	2	4
7	2	0
8	0	2
9	1	0
10	0	3
11	2	0
12	1	0
13	0	1
14	3	0
15	5	0
16	1	0
17	1	0
18	0	1
19	0	1
20	0	4
21	0	4

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LONDON KNOCKS OUT JIM WILDE

London, July 20.

Jack London (West Hartlepool) knocked out Jim Wilde (Swansea) in the third round at Swansea last night. Wilde was down for counts of eight and five in the first round, and in the second the Welshman was again floored for a count of eight. Wilde took further counts in the third round, and was eventually knocked out by a right to the jaw.

English F.A. Team Beat Queensland

Brisbane, July 16.

Playing by floodlight, the F.A. amateur soccer team had to fight hard to defeat Queensland by 2-1 here this evening. At half-time England were a goal down.

It was a poor game, in which the Englishmen, handicapped by minor injuries and troubled by the glare of the are-lights, never touched their best form. Although the soft state of the turf should have suit-

ed them, their forwards failed to get going.

The defence, too, was not up to standard, the home attack being given far too much scope. However, L. T. Huddle, in goal, and T. H. Leek and J. W. Lewis at half-back, played well. Corpl. S. Eastham was the pick of the forwards.

R. J. Mathews, the Walthamstow Avenue forward, scored England's first goal after three minutes in

ROGERS BEATS FARQUHARSON IN THREE SETS

London, July 19. C. L. Rogers, the Irishman, gained his second success in the Northern Championships, at West Bidsbury, Manchester, on Saturday, by defeating the South African Davis Cup player, N. G. Farquharson, in the final of the men's singles in three sets. Rogers was very steady from the back of the court, his driving being hard and low.

the second half, and J. W. Lewis also of Walthamstow, scored the winning goal four minutes later.

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AUSTIN ALSO DISPLAYS BRILLIANT FORM DAVIS CUP TRIAL MATCHES

(By "A. WALLIS MYERS")

Eastbourne, July 16.

THE reconstructed British Davis Cup defending team, in training for the Challenge Round which begins next week, made an auspicious start to-day in their international match against Australia on the court of Devonshire Park.

THEY WON THE FIRST TWO SINGLES WITH FIRE IN THEIR PLAY AND FAITH IN THEIR CAUSE. C. E. HARE, TAKING THE PLACE LEFT VACANT BY F. J. PERRY, DEFEATED J. H. CRAWFORD IN A FIVE-SET MATCH THAT SHOWED THE FINE FIGHTING SPIRIT OF THE YOUNG WARWICKSHIRE LEFT-HANDER. THE SCORE WAS 6-2, 6-2, 2-6, 3-6, 6-3.

Then, in a succeeding contest which occupied only 50 minutes and was conducted at a great pace, H. W. Austin, in shining form, defeated V. B. McGrath, the Australian champion, with the loss of only six games, and with the score of 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

The court was on the slow side, due to little play this season, and the Australians, coming straight from a three-day match in Paris, against France, on a sand surface, had not reconciled their strokes to a turf bound. They were hitting many loose balls and serving many double faults; they scarcely looked like keyed-up men.

Yet, allowing for these depressions, the spirited fighting form of the Englishmen was significant and pleasing. If, with a few days' practice together at Eastbourne, the new line-up of the defenders can, with their captain, professional coach, and trainer all in co-operation, reveal the standards reached to-day, another week's stern training should bring them to the Challenge Round a formidable team.

The Hare-Crawford duel was not a great match because so many points were gained through losers, and the net was shaken more often than the enthusiasm of the onlookers, but it proved two things that may have a bearing on matches which have more at stake. The first was that Hare's weakness on the back-hand was more imaginary than real — indeed he often confounded Crawford with his spin and control — and the second was that Hare can recover after his hopes have been dashed, and play a fifth set with a cool hand.

HARE BREAKS THROUGH

Breaking through Crawford's service in the first game of the match, Hare collected the first set by sturdy defence and clever low volleying. Crawford presented him with many points by glaring mistiming, but the Englishman's service was earning other points by its menacing length and speed, and his smashing was of a thoroughly hearty character.

With two 8-game sets in hand, Hare looked set for a clean victory, especially as he finished off the second set with a paralyzing service ace and a beautiful drop shot off a fast drive.

But a reaction came, and the first two games in the third set were

given to the Australian by volleying gaffes and a footfault that had a slightly demoralising effect. These incidents reminded us that Hare was mortal, and that Crawford had probably shed all his egregious errors in the first two sets and might produce something better to counter-balance them.

TIDE TURNS

With the Australian finding some of his old touch and now putting his fast first ball into court, and with Hare losing some of his sound defence and his firmness on the volley, the tide began to turn. Soon it was flowing freely towards Sydney Harbour, and the match was squared at two sets all.

It was now that Hare justified every hope that had formed of his match-winning powers. He played the fifth set like a hero. First heaced Crawford freely to establish a 2-1 lead. Then, with bracing-up returns and some fine complementary volleys, he broke through the Australian's service from 15 to lead 3-1. Still more ginger and more firm smashes, and 4-1 was called.

Hare might have been 5-1 if Crawford had not served well to win the sixth game from deuce. Then a moral test for young England. Hare lost his service to love through some perfect lobbing by Crawford; his lead was now only 4-3.

GREAT FINISH

It was Crawford's last opportunity, and he failed to take it. Two double faults cost him the first two points in eighth game, a brilliant smash brought Hare to 15-40, and then Crawford, missing an easy chance to score, was facing 3-5 and Hare's last service. Balls from the left hander came hurtling over; an ace and a smash won the match on a high note.

About Austin's progress to victory there was no halt or doubt. It was a finished, controlled display from start to finish, and he had the Australian champion in difficulties in nearly every rally.

CLEAN AGES

Austin has not Hare's height for service power, but, using spin, he



H. W. Austin, above, played brilliant tennis against Vivian McGrath in the International match prior to the Davis Cup Challenge Round.

often contrived to draw a defensive reply from McGrath and decorated some of his best periods with clean aces. But he relied mainly on relentless pressure through length and graded strength, and it was a sign of his complete authority that he often returned the famous double-handed shot of his young opponent for outright winners.

It would be wrong to say that Austin survived a test that Budge or von Cramm might be imposing on him in a week's time—McGrath was making too many errors to-day to be classed with these giants—but Austin was playing beautiful tennis with complete confidence both in his strokes and in his stamina.

To-morrow Hare and Wilde, in alliance, are to tackle Quist and McGrath in the doubles, and after that we shall see Tuckey in singles opposed to Bromwich, another boy wonder who has brought two hands and a clever head from Australia.

ANDREW'S 100TH WICKET OF SEASON

London, July 15.

Andrews, the Somerset fast bowler, took his 100th wicket of the season when getting Mitchell, the last Derbyshire batsman, out stumped by Luckes. Derbyshire were all out for 309. Somerset made a promising start, and, with 46 runs on the board and all their wickets in hand, they resume to-day 263 behind.

INTERNATIONAL WATER POLO TOURNAMENT

Hungary Assured Of Championship

Budapest, To-day.

Hungary yesterday was practically assured of winning the Horthy Cup in the International water-polo tourney when she beat Belgium by 4 goals to 0.

Germany, which looks like gaining second place, drew with the Netherlands 1-all after the Dutch had held the lead in the first half.

France defeated Austria in another match by 3 goals to 2—Reuter.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE FOOTBALL

RANGERS BEAT MOTHERWELL

London, To-day.

The following matches in the First Division of the Scottish League were played yesterday:

Rangers	2	Motherwell	1
Hamilton	1	Celtic	2

—Reuter.

HORWOOD BEATS DIAMOND SCULLS TIME

London, July 12.

W. E. C. Horwood (London Transport), in winning the championship sculls of the National Amateur Bowing Association over the Henley regatta course in 9min 4sec, beat the time J. Hasenohr, the Austrian, returned in the Diamond Sculls final there recently, by 8sec.

V. G. KIRBY WINS 3 EVENTS

London, July 16.—V. G. Kirby, the South African, won three finals in the Leicestershire Championships at Leicester on Saturday, when he beat N. G. Farquharson, a fellow South African, in the singles by 6-2, 5-7, 6-4, and won the doubles with Farquharson and the mixed doubles with Miss M. Riddell.

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EXPERT CRITIC OF JAPANESE ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN FIRING

A member of the crew of the m.v. Silvertank, who was formerly an observer in the Royal Air Force, in England, is highly critical concerning the anti-aircraft work of the Japanese warships in Shanghai.

Discussing the day when the first three Chinese aeroplanes appeared over Shanghai, he told the "Mail" that the ceiling was about 4,000 feet consisting of white clouds against which the Chinese bombers made perfect silhouettes.

"It seemed almost impossible for even a mediocre anti-aircraft gunner to miss any one of the three planes in those conditions, but what I saw with my own eyes only confirmed what I had previously heard of Japanese marksmanship."

The guns on the Idzumo and other Japanese warships, instead of forming a barrage in front of the Chinese planes, which were twin-engined single span monoplanes, of a fairly heavy type, had the mortification of seeing their shells (shrapnel) burst from 100 to 150 yards behind the machines.

As an old observer I was naturally interested and it was obvious that the pilots were too clever for their opponents on the sea for there was another problem which they had to deal with.

FRIGHT FOR JAPANESE

When they first appeared on the scene they must have been flying at about 3,000 feet while just above them were two small seaplanes from, obviously, a Japanese aircraft carrier. The Chinese planes, which were much more powerful from observations, immediately rose to just below ceiling and the Japanese planes were forced to fly through the clouds to escape their own shrapnel fire!

"At the moment of bombing, the three Chinese planes were separated, two having broken away and were bombing some Japanese barracks in Shanghai north, while the solitary plane remaining was responsible for the damage to the A.P.C. installation."

"From where I was positioned, I saw where the bombs landed and the first thing they struck was the pump house and residential quarters, which were luckily vacant at the time (this we found out later). The typhoon wind which was blowing at the time carried the flames away from the ship although barrels of oil in the way were set alight."

Canton Ready For Air Raid Ventures

Canton, To-day. Local authorities had been preparing extensively for possible air raids before yesterday's alarming incident. Practically all high buildings and hills at Canton and its vicinity have been adapted for mounting anti-aircraft guns.

Towering above the skyline on the Bund, the newly-opened Oi Kwan Hotel, a 15-storey structure, has its top stories which end in a tower, equipped with gun platforms.

The roof of the Sun Company-Asia Hotel building has been prepared to accommodate anti-aircraft guns at a moment's notice. Other high buildings surrounding the city light and power plant are similarly equipped.

As in the case of Nanking, many of the city's historical landmarks have been prepared to take ground gun crews and equipment. The Goddess of Mercy Hill behind the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Auditorium and the White Cloud Mountain across the city have been fortified.

Every precaution has been taken to guard against damage to the city's electric and power plant in event of an air raid, since the crippling of the plant may contribute to creating panic among the city's population and disrupting communications.

A string of observation posts along the coast and between Bocca Tigris and Canton will insure timely warning of the approach of raiding aircraft.

Special attention has been given to the defence of the two bridges across the river at Sheklung on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.—Central News.

CANTON AIR RAID FEARS

Provincial Government To Move To Shuihing

Canton, To-day. It is learned that following intelligence information of Japanese intention of carrying out an air raid on Canton, and following the appearance of Japanese machines over Bocca Tigris Forts yesterday, the Provincial Government is making arrangements to shift to temporary quarters at Shuihing in an emergency.

The Canton Air Force is under strict stand-by orders.

It is estimated that more than 100,000 people left Canton yesterday, including more than 10,000 destined for Hong Kong by train and riverboats.—Our Own Correspondent.

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W. G. HARRISON,
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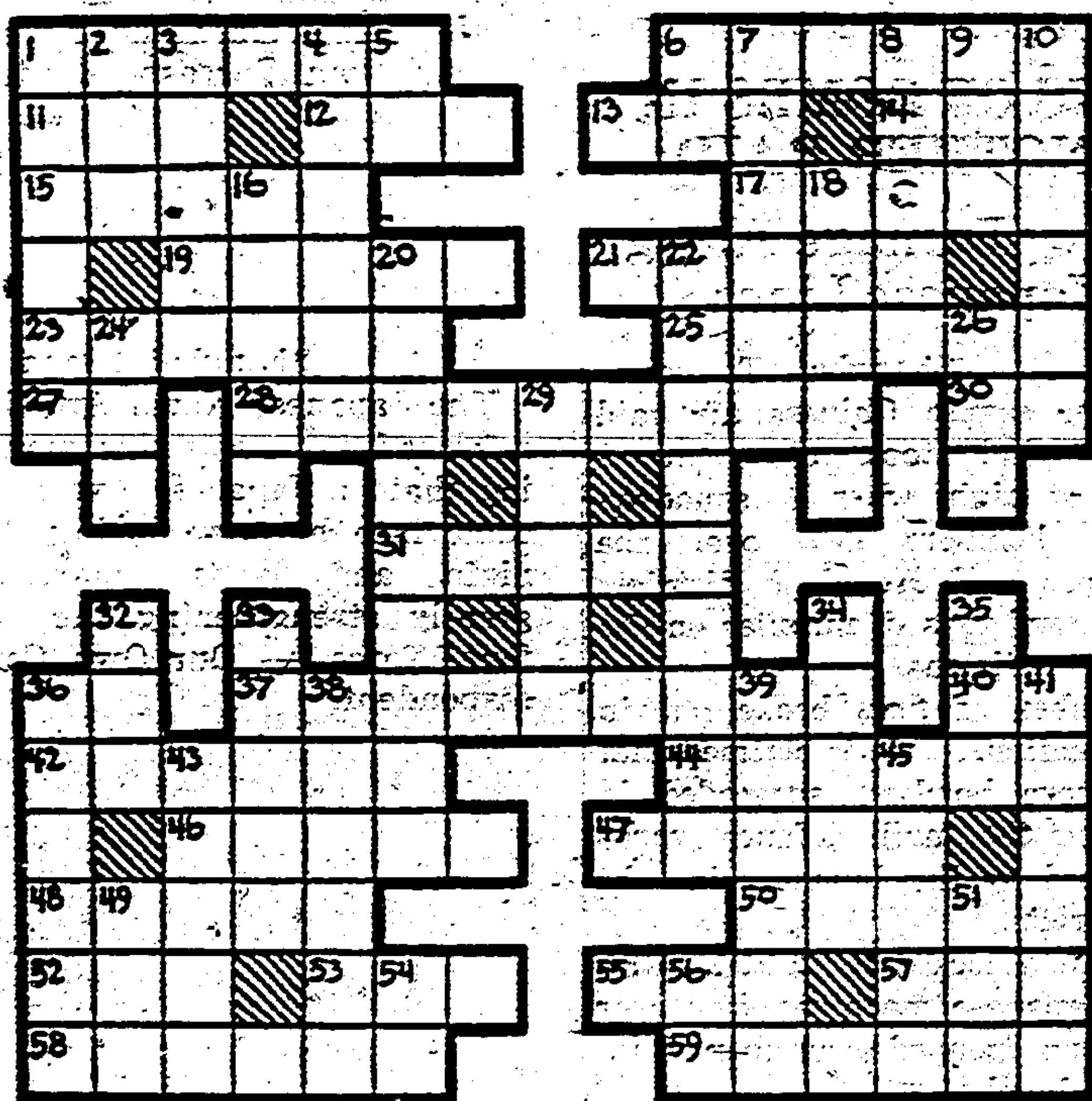
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

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HORIZONTAL

- 1-A household
- 6-Help
- 11-Open (Poet.)
- 12-Termination of nouns denoting vocation
- 13-Obese
- 14-Noah (Fr.)
- 15-Leases
- 17-Site of famous English race course
- 18-Lavishes extreme fondness upon
- 21-Coincide
- 22-Appetitive
- 25-An edible seed
- 27-Preposition
- 28-Reproach of a grant (Law)
- 30-Musical note
- 34-Give pleasure to
- 36-Threatened slot
- 37-Electromotive force
- 40-Letter of credit (abbr.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 42-A fruit (pl.)
- 44-involve
- 46-Clan
- 47-A serpent
- 48-Having ears
- 50-Fetters
- 52-Before
- 53-Consume
- 55-Fifty-four
- 57-Mop
- 58-Forsake
- 59-Dogmas

VERTICAL

- 1-Large wooded tract of land
- 2-Imitate
- 3-Repairs
- 4-Carped, as a ship
- 5-Pronoun
- 6-A college degree (abbr.)
- 7-Combining form. Hard
- 8-Insert

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 9-Sow (Prov. Eng.)
- 10-A consecrated edifice
- 16-The whole sum
- 18-An English coin
- 20-Uprightness of form
- 22-Sparkled
- 24-Atom bearing an electric charge
- 26-Anger
- 29-Entreaties
- 32-A title
- 33-A fruit
- 34-A flower
- 35-Man's name
- 36-Assented
- 38-A school book
- 39-An herb, allied to chicory
- 41-Seizes
- 43-A land measure (pl.)
- 45-Recorded
- 46-Metric land measure
- 51-Used in negative
- 54-Near by
- 55-Pronoun

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

MIDDLESEX REGT. MAY GO TO SHANGHAI

Singapore, To-day.
Though nothing has at present been definitely fixed, there is a strong possibility that the 1st Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, originally ordered to Hong Kong, may be transported to Shanghai. — Reuter.

JAPAN MASSING FOR OFFENSIVE IN N. CHINA

London, To-day.

Japanese reinforcements for the garrisons in North China are arriving on an increased scale, according to trustworthy reports received here from Tientsin.

Fourteen Japanese troop transport vessels are now lying off Tangku, while the railway line from Shanhaikwan-Tientsin is at times blocked by transport of troops and war material.

The strength of the Japanese forces concentrated in North China is estimated at more than 100,000 men. One half of the troops are going to Peiping, the other half remaining in the Tientsin area. The Japanese are apparently planning an advance southwards towards Paotingfu. — Trans-Ocean.

TSINGTAO CRISIS

Japanese Withdrawal Significant?

Tsingtao, To-day.

Mr. Hikada, the Japanese Consul-General in Nanking, who was the last of the Japanese residents and officials to leave the Yangtze Valley, sailed for Tokyo soon after his arrival here this morning.

Tension following Saturday's shooting incident appears to be on the wane in the absence of any direct action by the Japanese Navy. It is feared, however, that the decision to withdraw Japanese residents presages serious trouble. — Our Own Correspondent.

PROTECTION OF FOREIGNERS

Chang Chih-Chung's Assurances

Shanghai, To-day.

General Chang Chih-chung, Commander-in-Chief of the Shanghai-Nanking Garrison who is directing operations against the Japanese in Shanghai, declared that he will do everything within his power to give due protection to foreign lives and property in and around the city.

A party of Chinese representatives, headed by Messrs. Tu Yeh-sen, Wong Hsiao-lai, Y. M. Chien and T. L. Soong, called on General Chang behind the Chinese lines yesterday and presented the troops with biscuits and fruits.

General Chang informed callers that the troops had sufficient food and he urged people in Shanghai to contribute to the purchase of arms and ammunition. — Central News.

GENERAL AMERICAN EVACUATION

(Continued from Page 1)

morning as the Japanese planes failed to appear. — Reuter.

ALL AMERICANS URGED TO LEAVE

Washington, To-day.

United States diplomatic officials in China are now warning all Americans in Shanghai and other danger spots who have no urgent reason for remaining to evacuate, according to the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull.

Previously the advice to evacuate was confined to children. Now it has been extended to tourists, teachers and missionaries.

The State Department consider that only engineers of the Shanghai water and electric distribution systems and diplomatic officials have a sufficiently important reason for staying.

Mr. Hull expects that some 1,700 will evacuate by the week-end, leaving about 2,000 in various ports.

Meanwhile, the reaction in Washington to the British plan for withdrawal of the Chinese and Japanese troops is somewhat cool, it being felt that no proposal from the outside could influence either China or Japan at this advanced stage. Mr. Hull himself, however, declined to comment on the plan. — Reuter.

SIX JAPANESE SHIPS SUNK

Navy Warns Of "Drastic Action"

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese Naval Attache told pressmen this morning that six Japanese steamers, one tug-boat and one launch were scuttled by the Chinese yesterday and used to increase the blockade in the river.

The loss he estimated at 10,000,000 yen.

The Japanese Navy intended to take very drastic action in consequence of the incident. — Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH OFFICERS VISIT LINES

Nanking, To-day.

A party of British and American military officers and press correspondents, accompanied by Col. J. L. Huang, close aide of Chiang Kai-shek, yesterday visited the Chinese lines outside Shanghai.

This was the first group of foreigners to be given permission to visit the Chinese lines. At one place, the visitors inspected two Japanese planes which crashed on Aug. 15. The noses of the machines were sunk several feet into the ground, indicating that the planes had fallen from a high altitude.

Col. Huang presented a large number of gifts to the troops on behalf of Madame Chiang Kai-shek. — Central News.

POOTUNG LANDING ATTEMPT

Marines Swept By Machine Gun Fire

Shanghai, To-day.

Despite heavy bombardment by Japanese warships in the Whangpoo, the Chinese forces prevented Japanese marines from landing on the Pootung side of the river last night.

Several attempts were made by the attackers to reach the river bank but each time they were driven back by withering machine gun fire from the Chinese troops entrenched in the area. — Central News.

GERMAN SAILOR KILLED

Victim Of Nanking Road Bombing

Berlin, To-day.

A report from Shanghai states that a German sailor named Koch was among those killed in Saturday's Nanking Road bomb disaster.

Four other wounded German residents are reported to be making good progress. — Trans-Ocean.

TONS OF BOMBS IN ANOTHER RAID

Heavy Damage Along Japanese Lines

Shanghai, To-day.

Another severe Chinese air raid over Shanghai took place at 8 o'clock last night when a squadron of heavy bombers flew over the Yangtsepoo and Hongkew districts and released tons of missiles on the Japanese positions.

A number of fires broke out in several sections. It is claimed that the Chinese bombers succeeded in destroying the main defence works constructed by the Japanese in the two districts.

At 9:15 o'clock last night a number of Japanese machines flew over Chapei and dropped a number of incendiary bombs.

M.B.K. WHARF HIT

It is reported that one of the Japanese bombers was shot down and crashed to the west of Shanghai.

Meanwhile, both the Chinese and Japanese artillery units took action. The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha wharf along the Yangtsepoo was hit by the Chinese bombardment. Three Japanese shells fell into Nantao, which is the old Chinese City south of the French Concession, and demolished a number of smaller houses. — Central News.

Japanese Bomb Hangchow Railway

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese bombers yesterday afternoon flew over the Shanghai-Hangchow Ningpo Railway and attempted to bomb the tracks. Only a few telephone lines were damaged as most of the bombs missed their mark. — Central News.

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Shanghai, To-day.

"The last chance for a truce was on August 13 but the fighting next day made the question no longer a local issue, and settlement will have to come through Nanking," said a spokesman of the Japanese Embassy to-day, replying to questions.

The spokesman admitted a Chinese advance in north-east Shanghai but declared that all the other original Japanese positions are intact.

He estimated that fifteen divisions of Chinese troops are concentrated at points west of Shanghai.

The spokesman said there were now 20,000 Japanese non-combatants in Shanghai, 7,000 Japanese women and children having left. — Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

The S.M.C. has agreed, on the mediation of Admiral Sir Charles Little, to continue to carry out police patrols in districts east of the Hongkew Creek, from which the Police had been withdrawn.

Bluejackets will be lent to assist the police after 7 p.m.

— Our Own Correspondent.

Shanghai, 2 p.m.

The Japanese Naval Attache informed the press this morning that a Japanese warship came into harbour during the night and landed marines, greatly strengthening the defence force. — Our Own Correspondent.

NEWS FLASHES

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